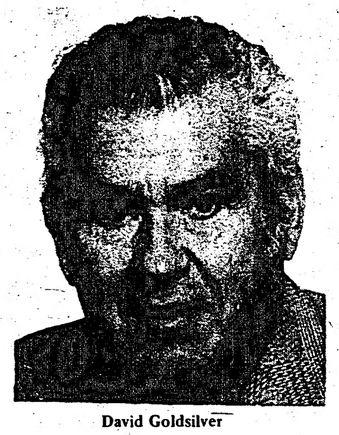
CAN WE FORGET PAST, IN FAVOR OF CO-OPERATION ON HUMAN RIGHTS?



David Goldsilver

By SHELDON KIRSHNER
[First of two parts]

TORONTO —

Should the organized Jewish community work in tandem with the Ukrainian, Polish and Baltic communities in Canada to secure human rights in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union?

The question provokes intense debate among Jews because the issues arising out of it are so emotionally charged.

Approximately one third or more of the Jews in Canada were born and/or raised in Eastern Europe and Russia, and, given the fierce anti-Semitism they experienced at the hands of Ukrainians, Poles, Latvians and Lithuanians during World War II, they are generally dead set against forging ties with organizations representing Canadians of Polish, Ukrainian or Baltic extraction.

Canadian-born Jews, who have only heard or read about the anti-Semitism of the last war, are theoretically in favor of co-operation. However, in deference to their fellow Jews who survived the Holocaust, they voice misgivings about the efficacy of such efforts at the present time. Some even say that co-operation will have to wait for another generation.

These native-born Jews add that co-operation may be difficult to achieve in any case because the goals of the Jewish community and that of the Slavic and Baltic communities clash.

As a result of these emotional and pragmatic considerations, co-operation between the communities has been scant over the years. It has been limited to periodic, informal meetings, joint action on some Prisoners of Conscience and a common interest in promoting multicultural programs.

Milton Harris, president of the Toronto Jewish Congress, summarizes the problem this way: "We have to build a new life in this country which accepts differences. You can't forget but you have to forgive. But practically, we can't move quickly regarding co-operation. Many members of our community suffered. It would hurt them if our relations with these communities became too strong or too public."

The third-generation Canadian added: "Active co-operation may take another generation. We should evolve toward a working relationship with all these groups, but we should also recognize historical realities. There's a legacy of hate or animosity on both sides among older people. Of all the ethnic groups who hated Jews and who participated in the Holocaust, the Ukrainians were probably the worst, with the Poles only slightly less culpable.

"Jews who came over from Eastern Europe remember the past. It's impossible for them to forgive or forget."

Harris said that co-operation may be years away because the long-range objectives of the communities differ. "It's not the aim of Jews to overthrow the Soviet system but to liberalize it. That's not the major thrust of some of these groups. It's a delicate question. We have to sit down with them periodically and air our respective views."

Sam Filer, chairman of the Toronto Jewish Congress Steering Committee on Soviet Jewry, echoes Harris' analysis. "Many of these people are mainly interested in changing the structure of the Soviet system. If we acquiesce they could tar us with a brush we don't want to be painted with."

David Satok, chairman of the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry, says contact between the communities is presently limited but is bound to grow as native Canadian "ethnics" become active in their national organizations.

However, he warns that full co-operation is still a distant hope. "It's a very sensistive thing. We have to respect the sensibilities of many of the survivors who can't reconcile

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Milton Harris

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Soviet policy is simply anti-Semitic: Maloney

By HARVEY WARREN

TORONTO —

Defiant Ontario Ombudsman Arthur Maloney told an emergency meeting of 500 people that the Soviet Union's campaign to discredit the rights of its Jewish minority expresses a policy which is simply anti-Semitic.

The USSR's violation of the collective right of Jews to self-preservation as an ethnic, religious and linguistic group, Maloney told the Shaarei Shomayim audience, is not merely an anti-minority dictum, but an anti-Jewish one.

The ombudsman disclosed that he had been advised by a telephone caller not to attend the community meeting, convened by the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry, because he would be commenting on international matters which the Soviets would find offensive.

"Had I received 1,000 of those messages," he said resolutely, "I would still be here tonight."

He emphasized that there is no parallel between the plight of the Jews and that of any other ethnic religious or linguistic group in the Soviet Union.

Regarding recent newspaper articles on the treatment of Soviet Jews, the controversial lawyer remarked: "These must tend to horrify anyone raised in the tradition of freedom."

Arthur Maloney

Maloney told the protest rally — called last week to mark the deterioration in the situation of Soviet Jews and to highlight their inability to observe Passover — that the USSR has been a signatory of international declarations protecting human rights, most recently the Helsinki final act.

"But if you're a Jew in Russia," he exclaimed, "and you wish to exercise any of these liberties, your chances of success are always nil."

Holy Blossom Rabbi Gunther Plaut shrugged off suggestions that protest could hurt detente. To keep quiet was the counsel given to Roosevelt and Churchill during World War II, he noted.

"We cannot afford to be silent," he added, "...even if we are only a voice in the wilderness, we must cry out."

The few Soviet Jews permitted to leave Russia must not become "a window dressing for the crimes which are now being committed inside the Soviet Union against our brothers," said Rabbi Plaut, national co-chairman of the Canada-Israel Committee.

"Matzah is the sign of identity to many Jews who otherwise have no living contact with our tradition and our people."

When the Russians banned the importing of matzah, they know they are depriving Jews "of the last, visible, tactile, touchable, real link. Matzah, therefore, is the Jewish passport to identity."

Rabbi Plaut not only paralleled the treatment of Jews in the Soviet Union and the persecution in Hitler's Germany, but linked the two systems historically. He charged Stalinist Russia with responsibility for Hitler's rise to power. He said Soviet leaders told their people Hitler was waging a just war and congratulated him on his conquest of Western Europe.

"The anti-Semitic campaign is finding fruitful soil" in the Soviet Union, he added.

Genya Intrator, vice-chairman of the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry, disclosed some chilling passages from a recent bestselling book in Russia which she gleaned from telephone conversations with contacts there.

The book purports to expose a Zionist "mafia" and claims Zionists push Jews out of Russia to Israel and persecute them if they express a desire to return to the Soviet Union. Mrs. Intrator said the book calls Eichman a Zionist agent killed by Israeli Zionists to cover up their connection with him.

The book, she said, charges that Elie Wiesel is a Nazi agent, and the proof is that he was the only one of his family to survive the Holocaust.

She said activists told her a letter had been published in Izvestia alleging that many Jewish dissidents are CIA agents engaged in espionage, a very serious Soviet crime.

"We are not intimidated because we know that you are with us," Mrs. Intrator said the activists told her.

The Committee for Soviet Jewry launched a three-part program as a protest offensive against the ban on matzah and a spate of anti-Semitism recently plaguing USSR's Jews.

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Herut selects new men

JERUSALEM [JTA] —

The Herut faction of Likud held its internal elections last week and produced eight "new faces" to stand for election to the Knesset on May 17. At the same time, a number of Herut veterans are retiring from the Knesset of their own accord.

The newcomers, who never sat in the Knesset before, are among the first 17 names on the election list. If Likud wins 40 seats — it has 39 in the outgoing Knesset — all of them are assured of election. The best known newcomer is former air force commander Gen. Ezer Weizman, who was assigned the number-two spot after Herut leader Menachem Begin.

Weizman served briefly as minister of transport in former Premier Golda Meir's "wall-to-wall" coalition government following the 1967 Six Day War. Other new Herut candidates include economist Yigal Cohen; Prof. Yosef Rom; former colonel Mordechai Zippori; and Ronnie Milo, a lawyer.

Haim Landau, a long-time lieutenant of Begin and Deputy Knesset Speaker Ben Zion Keshet, decided not to stand for re-election. Others, including Sephardic MK Menachem Yedid and MK Yosef Kremerman, an industrialist, were not elected by the faction's 600-member central committee.

It was learned, meanwhile, that Begin may not be able to participate fully in the campaign because of a heart ailment, for which he was hospitalized following a tour abroad. Doctors at Ichilov Hospital in Tel Aviv said that he would be discharged in about a week. But party campaign organizers said he would have to cut back on his schedule of public appearances and may not be able to speak at outdoor rallies.

Gen. (Res.) Ariel Sharon, the Yom Kippur War hero who quit Likud recently to form his own Shlomzion faction, announced that he would try to organize a new coalition embracing all political forces that oppose any Israeli withdrawal from the West Bank. But he said he would hold off until Begin leaves the hospital.

Sharon is likely to try to recruit Moshe Dayan, former defence minister, who announced that he would not stand for re-election on the Labor Alignment ticket because of its policies on withdrawal from the West Bank.

(Religious News Service photograph)

Anachnu Kan, world famous troupe of Israeli-Russian singers, dancers and musicians, display high spirits in New York concert. Originally from Russia where they were not allowed to perform, they emigrated to Israel.

In movement toward peace...

Carter is 'willing scapegoat'

NEW YORK [JTA] —

Andrew Young, the United States ambassador to the United Nations, says that President Carter's statements on the need for defensible borders for Israel and a homeland for the Palestinians were no accidents because the president knew what he was saying. He said he attended a meeting with Carter and the president's National Security Advisor Zbigniew Brzezinski when it was agreed to use the phrase "defensible borders" instead of "security borders."

Young's remarks were made to some 150 persons at a meeting of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations which was closed to the press. His remarks were reported later by a spokesman for the Presidents Conference.

Stressing that he was not speaking for Carter but believed he was reflecting the president's views, Young said Carter realizes something has to be done to end the stalemate in the Middle East and make it possible for the Arabs and Israelis to begin bargaining. He said U.S. policy is not to impose a solution but to encourage flexibility in discussions.

Young said that Carter sees himself as strong and is willing to use some of his strength to bring about a movement toward peace in the Mideast. Carter sees himself as a "willing scapegoat" to that end.

He noted that Carter is willing to take the "heat" for his statements and believes that they have given Premier Yitzhak Rabin more room to bargain within Israel for a settlement.

Meanwhile, Chaim Herzog, Israel's ambassador to the United Nations, said that the adjournment of the Security Council's Middle East debate last week was "a defeat" for the Egyptians, who initiated the debate which opened here on March 25. The Council adjourned indefinitely without adopting any resolutions or making any other decisions.

Diplomatic sources here said that the Egyptians, who wanted the Council to declare its support for the participation of the Palestine Liberation Organization in the Geneva talks, agreed to a postponement of the debate without a date for reconvening when they realized that they faced an American veto and were unable to guarantee the necessary nine votes to pass a resolution in the Council.

In addition to American opposition, Syria and Libya refused to support the Egyptian resolution because it was "too moderate" in their view. Some observers said it was unlikely that the debate would be resumed at a later date. "The United States took a very tough position during the debate and it seems unlikely that Egypt will want to face strong American opposition again on this issue," one observer noted.

Peretz Schools delay plans for expansion

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

The board of Jewish People's & Peretz Schools has decided to delay plans to build a new school in view of recent Quebec government regulations that will make kindergarten through grade four "virtually a French school."

JPPS president Sydney Sederoff told The Canadian Jewish News that a notice from the Department of Education stated that to receive last year's grants, English instruction must be limited to 200 minutes per week and that Jewish studies should be taught "on our own time", not as part of the regular curriculum.

"We felt we could not afford to go on a capital fund drive now or else we would have to raise the fees, in which case enrolment might drop and we would not need another school."

Sederoff has in the past described the space shortage at JPPS's two campuses as "desperate", and the school vowed to go on a community campaign to build another campus last summer.

As late as January of this year, Sederoff reaffirmed JPPS's intention to begin construction in the spring on a tract of land in Cote St. Luc, which it had an option to buy.

The Jewish Education Council in the preliminary report of its Commission on Educational Planning (COEP) had recommended that no new schools be built, and the rent or purchase of Protestant schools left vacant be considered the best alternative.

JPPS will now drop its option on the land, said Sederoff, and wait until the government finalizes its policies toward private education before it makes a long-term decision on the school's future.

Hebrew Academy, the day school that will face an eventual move with the sale of the old Adath Israel synagogue, will follow the Jewish Education Council's recommendation and see what space is available in the Protestant schools, said president Cantor A.L. Subar.

The school will, however, continue to lease the tract of land which it presently holds in Cote St. Luc, situated near the land JPPS held.

All of the Jewish day schools have been presented with two basic proposals regarding future funding from the Department of Education, which may vary slightly among areas, schools and grades.

To receive 60% of the cost of a student's education per capita, based on the average cost of a student in the public school system in that area, the elementary schools must now give at least 850 minutes of French instruction per week with 200 minutes allowed for English instruction and 200 minutes for Jewish studies.

To receive the 80% subsidy which most day schools are currently receiving, 1,050 minutes per week must be devoted to French instruction. A weekly total of 200 minutes is permitted for English instruction, leaving little time for Jewish studies.

The Education Department has proposed that no subsidies be given to the kindergartens. No proposals have been made for the high schools to date.

It has also been indicated by Education Department officials that they oppose francophone Jewish children entering the English day schools.

A delegation not yet chosen will meet with Education Minister Jacques Yvan Morin on April 18 to clarify the Parti Quebecois' intentions for Jewish education.

"I believe the community has to come to a decision — either we accept more French or we tell the government we don't need the grants, which I don't think we can do. Right now everything is up in the air," said one day school president, who asked to remain anonymous.

Ben Chaim replacing Ovnat as consul

TORONTO (Staff) —

Shaul Ben Chaim, a veteran of the Foreign Ministry, will be the new Israel consul-general in Toronto, it has been learned. He will replace Shmuel Ovnat this summer.

An Israeli embassy spokesman in Ottawa told The Canadian Jewish News there had been no official announcement yet, but he did not deny the report.

Ben Chaim has served in Africa, Australia and Britain, according to reports.

Non Jews increasing in professors group

By ROCHELLE CARR

TORONTO —

In a year and a half the majority of the Canadian Professors for Peace in the Middle East will be non-Jews, says the group's national chairman, Harry Crowe.

To date, of the approximately 625 members in the CPPME across Canada, 35% are non-Jews with the percentage going up every month. What attracts non-Jewish academics to an issue that has generally been viewed as a Jewish concern for so long? According to Crowe, a professor of history at York University, there appear to be three main reasons.

Some are interested in foreign policy and the Middle East is an area of considerable instability. Others are concerned with Canadian involvement in the Mideast.

As Crowe, himself a non-Jew, pointed out, Canada not only supplies forces for the United Nations peace-keeping operation there, but also contributes more to the UN agency that helps support the Palestinians than all the Arab oil countries combined.

And, there are those who are interested in the Holy Land in terms of relations between Christians and Jews.

For Crowe, the first faculty member of the history department at Atkinson College in 1966, Canadian foreign policy is a special area of interest, a topic in which he lectures both within and outside the university.

"In addition, because there are only about 26 democracies in the world today, Israel being one of them, I have grown more and more concerned with the complexities in the Middle East and their potential for great damage to the peace of the world, as well as to the cause of democracy and the free institutions inherent in that struggle," he explained.

"I not only possess an academic interest but a personal interest in the survival of democracy."

The CPPME, which he calls an "educational organization", was formed in 1974-75, following the Rabat Conference, largely by Prof. Irwin Cotler of McGill University and Norman May, a former professor at Osgoode Hall, who now co-chairs the Canada-Israel Committee.

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SIGNS OF THE TIME

JERUSALEM [JTA] —

Two cabinet ministers and a number of Knesset members have consulted a Jerusalem astrologer regarding their electoral chances, according to the astrologer, Ilan Pecker.

Addressing the capital's Rotary Club, Pecker would not reveal the identities of his new clients. His own prediction, he said, was that the May 17 elections would prove inconclusive and a second round would have to be held before the end of 1977.

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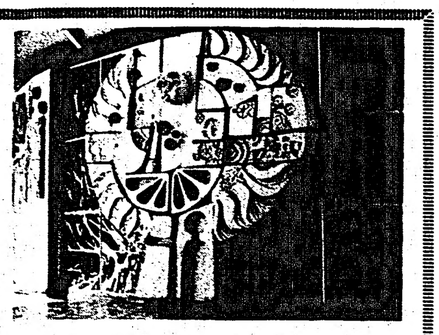

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At the House of Living Judaism-Berg Memorial in New York, artist Ami H. Shamir displays highlights from his architectural design work including (left) an actual segment from the stained-glass windows done for Temple Israel of New Rochelle, N.Y. Children's Chapel (upper right) of academy in Riverdale, N.Y. is another sample of Shamir's designs. His work is being exhibited until the end of April.

U.S. softens boycott legislation...

By JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON [JTA] — The House International Relations Committee has adopted by a voice vote "compromise" legislation related to the Arab boycott that includes a "unilateral selection" clause designed to soften its impact on the boycotting countries and American companies doing business with them.

The clause, sought by business interests and endorsed by the White House, allows a boycotting country to select goods and components of products and sub-contractors that make them for any reasons as long as it does not say that selection has a boycott purpose.

The Senate Banking Committee postponed its decision on the nature of a "unilateral selection" clause after Sen. Paul Sarbanes (D.-Md.) declared that if an amendment proposed by Sen. Harrison Schmidt (R.-NM) were adopted, "you might as well tear up this bill." The House version places the burden on the company to determine whether the boycotting company's selection constitutes a boycotting purpose.

The Senate version as presented by Sen. Adlai Stevenson (D. Ill.) provides for the boycotting company to select specific products such as tires on a tractor but not unidentified components inherently in the product such as the tractor's valves. The Schmidt amendment would allow a company in an Arab land to make its own selection of products.

The House legislation permits "negative" certificates of origin to continue for one year after enactment of the measure, which is part of the Export Administration Act. After that it will be outlawed. The administration reportedly wanted the negative certificates to continue on the grounds that the Arab states themselves are moving towards the "positive" certificates.

The differences are principally psychological, Congressional specialists said. The practical result is the same. Negative certificates, they said, were the most commonly visible instrument of the Arab boycott, since a company had to specify that an article was not made in Israel.

Under the positive certificate, a company specifies only where it is made. In presenting the substitute language for the informal group of five Congressmen who worked on the compromise, Rep. Lee Hamilton (D. Ind.), chairman of the committee's Middle East subcommittee, said it is a "workable compromise" that resulted from intensive discussions with the White House and State and Commerce Departments.

"It tries to minimize confrontations at home and abroad," Hamilton said. He acknowledged "competing interests will prevent many groups from not fully endorsing a reasonable accommodation among groups with conflicting interests."

He pointed out the bill "categorically prohibits any American person from discriminating" against persons or firms on the basis of race, religion or national origin. It also prohibits general boycotts by U.S. firms of "friendly countries and blacklisted persons," Hamilton said. In the latter connection, he noted that a "disturbing feature of the Arab boycott is the attempt to force U.S. companies to direct their business away from Israel and blacklisted firms."

...and Britain toes the line

LONDON — Edmund Dell, secretary of state for trade, strongly defended in Parliament Britain's policy towards the Arab boycott which, he claimed, was in line with the attitude taken by other countries.

Efforts by MPs on both sides of the House of Commons, urging the government to harden its anti-boycott protestations, failed to elicit a positive response.

MP Tim Sainsbury asked the minister to take measures to deny government support and facilities for various kinds of trade transactions in order to combat the discriminatory effects of the boycott.

Dell replied that his department and the British Overseas Trade Board would continue to give advice and assistance to British exporters to markets in the Middle East.

The government's lack of action, said Saisbury, contrasted very unfavorably with other countries which were taking positive action against the boycott, bearing in mind that the government had expressed disapproval of it.

Replied Dell: "In practice, our position is the same as other governments. We have indicated that we oppose and deplore the boycott, which lacks international authority. We have also said that it must be left to the decision of individual companies how they react in particular situations, although we give advice. Our position is the same as our partners in the European community and other countries.

MP Greville Janner said that the authentication by the government of boycott documents was regarded as a gross offence to Israel and all those concerned with free trade. He asked the minister to reconsider this practice.

Dell replied that that was a question for the foreign secretary, but it had been explained by that department that what was authenticated were the signatures.

A new all-party parliamentary group has been established to bring the maximum pressure on the Foreign Office and the Department of Trade over the next few months.

Pound devalued

JERUSALEM [JTA] — The pound has been devalued for the second time in 19 days and now stands at IL 9.93 to $1.

The latest devaluation was by 1.8%. During the past three months the pound has been reduced in value by a total of 7.9%.

Citrus growers vent anger

By GIL SEDAN

JERUSALEM [JTA] — The citrus growers say they hold the government responsible for losses incurred by a week of strikes and work slowdowns at Israel's three sea-ports, which ended March 28, and would demand compensation in the amount of $12 million for damaged exports.

Although the dockworkers at Haifa, Ashdod and Eilat have resumed full productivity, the government has come under severe criticism for agreeing to a wage hike of 4-5%.

The amount is only one-third of what the strikers demanded, but it will be granted to all industrial workers, and economists here are warning that the cure may prove to be worse than the illness.

Even Treasury officials, who say the increase will not fuel inflation, are concerned that it will lead to a growing rate of unemployment because many plants will not be able to pay the higher wages.

The Israel Manufacturers Association was angered by the settlement because it granted the dockworkers a raise only five months after they had signed new wage agreements. Avraham Shavit, president of the association, said that it will not countenance any changes in existing contracts.

Port workers will not be paid for the period they were idle or semi-idle. But they are likely to make up that loss through overtime and an enlarged work force.

The Haifa Port Authority assigned extra gangs to work the docks in order to clear the backlog of cargo.

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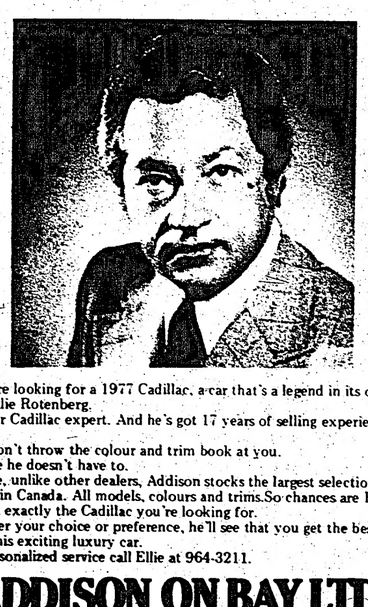

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Ontario Jews of Iraqi origin form a group

TORONTO [Staff] —
Iraqi Jews in the province have organized their first communal organization — the Iraqi Jewish Association of Ontario.

It has applied to the Canadian Jewish Congress for affiliation and plans to register with the federal government as a charitable group, says its president, Naim Dallal, a dentist. The aim of the organization is to promote Iraqi-Jewish culture, and a synagogue it hopes to build in the future will serve as a community centre.

According to Dallal, 53, there are about 5,000 Iraqi Jews in Ontario and Quebec. About one third reside in this province and the majority of those live in Toronto.

A native of Baghdad who emigrated early in 1969 — before the public hangings of Jews accused of being Israeli spies — he says not enough Iraqi youth know about their rich Judaic culture.

He said the association has no intention of building a separate school.

Most Iraqi Jews in Canada were natives of Baghdad, the largest urban centre, he disclosed. They started coming to this country in the early 1950s. "Economically, we're well off," he said. The community is composed largely of professionals and skilled technicians and workers.

Among the active leaders in the new association are Assad Muallem, Eliahu Sasson, Danny Soref, Shaul Ezer and Yona Shabtai.

The Iraqi Jewish community, which has dwindled to less than 1,000, is one of the oldest in the Diaspora, going back to the first Babylonian dispersion. In its heyday until World War II, the community produced men of wealth, culture and influence. The rise of Zionism and Arab nationalism contributed to its decline.

(Graphic Artists photograph)

Secretary of State John Roberts of Toronto makes a point during talk to Toronto UJA film and entertainment division. Sitting on floor at left is Leonard Bernstein who co-hosted the luncheon with Barry Allen. Garth Drabinsky, chairman of the division, is seated to the left of the federal cabinet minister.

Entertainers gather at UJA luncheon

TORONTO —
Personalities from the local entertainment scene, representing film, television and broadcasting, crowded into the offices of Premier Operating Corp., a theatre chain, for the annual United Jewish Appeal luncheon meeting of the film and entertainment division.

It was the largest attendance since Barry Allen and Leonard Bernstein, Premier executives, began hosting the luncheons six years ago.

Special attractions this year were guest appearances by John Roberts, secretary of state, and Peter Newman, editor of Maclean's magazine.

Introduced by division chairman Garth Drabinsky, Roberts, sporting a jacket worn by Richard Burton during the filming of **Equus** in Toronto, said he responded to the invitation to speak at the UJA function because of his deep affection for Israel.

He then went on to explain that he acquired the jacket through his wife, Beverley Rockett, a commercial photographer who was assigned to do the still photography on **Equus**. She got it for him when shooting on the film ended.

Roberts, MP for St. Paul's in Toronto, recalled his visit to Israel in 1973 immediately after the Yom Kippur War, when he joined members of the UJA First President's Mission.

"That visit," he said, "had an extraordinary emotional impact on me. I would like to see the same kind of enthusiasm on the part of Canadians that Israelis have for their country."

The minister said he will be going back to Israel sometime in the spring in his official capacity as secretary of state. Since 1973, he told the meeting, the danger to Israel has shifted from one arena to another.

"The military threat is still there, but the oil weapon poses an even greater danger to the country," he commented.

"The essential purpose of the oil-producing Arab countries is to undermine Israel's political support from her principal allies. This is where the real battlefield lies."

Peter Newman spoke briefly of his trip to Israel in 1969 and expressed more pessimism about Canada's future as a nation than Israel's future.

Allan Offman, chairman of the UJA cabinet and executive, presented a report on the progress of the campaign to date and expressed his delight at the response to the meeting, which had people sitting on the floor and spilling out into the corridor to hear the speakers.

Cancer researcher to give lectures

TORONTO —
One of the world's foremost cancer researchers, Prof. Michael Feldman, will present the 1977 Weizmann lectures in Montreal and Toronto, it was announced by James F. Kay, president of the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute.

"Science in the Service of Man" will be given in Montreal at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel on Sunday evening, April 17 at 8, and in Toronto in the Sadowski Auditorium of Mount Sinai Hospital, on Tuesday evening, April 9 at 8.

Admission to the lectures is by ticket, which must be obtained in advance. There is no charge for the tickets, which are available from the offices of the Society, 935-4313 in Montreal and 922-9721 in Toronto. A social hour and refreshments will follow each lecture.

The annual Weizmann lectures are made possible by a fund established by Mr. and Mrs. I.C. Pollack of Quebec City.

Prof. Feldman is chairman of the department of cell biology at the Weizmann Institute of Science and director of one of its major cancer research projects.

He has lectured and taught extensively at leading universities and cancer research institutes throughout the world, including the University of California, Stanford University and the U.S. government's National Cancer Institute at Bethesda, Md.

Now holding the Philip M. Klutznick Chair of Developmental Biology at the Weizmann Institute, the guest lecturer is a Sabra, educated in Israel, and was awarded his doctorate at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland.

A member of numerous national and international scientific bodies, author of scores of publications and the recipient of numerous honors and awards, Dr. Feldman is chairman of the Israel Immunological Society.

In addition to his lectures for laymen, Prof. Feldman has been invited to speak to the science faculties at McGill University, the University of Toronto and McMaster University during the week of April 17.

In noting that there is no fund-raising or other obligation by attending, Kay stressed that the objective of the Wiezmann lectures is to keep alive the legacy of Dr. Chaim Weizmann and to offer an opportunity for leading scientists to present to lay audiences some of the exciting research work carried out at the Weizmann Institute.

Prof. Michael Feldman

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Mr. and Mrs. William Hurwitz with awards

Entebbe Medal given to Hurwitz

WINDSOR —
William Hurwitz, national vice-president of the United Israel Appeal of Canada, has been presented with the first Entebbe Medal to be given to a Canadian. He received it from Leon Dulzin, treasurer of the Jewish Agency.

"We in Israel know that Bill Hurwitz taught you in Windsor how to give," said Dulzin at a Jewish Community Council dinner honoring the 1976 UJA chairmen.

Tribute was paid to Hurwitz for establishing new levels of campaign achievement and maintaining them. Dulzin praised him for the role he played in developing a young committed leadership in Windsor.

Chairmen honored were Sidney Cohen, Harvey Strosberg and Jack Winograd on behalf of the men's division, and Maxine Ordower and Phyllis Winograd on behalf of the women's division.

The chairman of the evening was Herbert Brudner, president of the Jewish Community Council.

Stern gets permit

The National Conference on Soviet Jewry has learned that former Soviet Jewish Prisoner of Conscience Mikhail Stern and his wife have received permits to join their two sons in Israel.

Released last month for "humanitarian reasons" according to the official Soviet News Agency report, Stern, a noted endocrinologist, was sentenced to eight years imprisonment in 1975 on trumped up charges, because of his sons' desire to emigrate. He served two years and eight months of the sentence. It is expected the couple will be leaving for Israel shortly.

They're having fun teaching Yiddish

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —
Two McMaster University professors are teaching Yiddish to a small group of Jewish students and having fun doing it.

Cyril Levitt and William Shaffir, both of the department of sociology, began the extra-curricular course in January in response to a request from the McMaster University Jewish Students Association. The students wanted it as part of their Jewish education program.

"But it's not an official course," Levitt points out, "though the university supplies us with the facilities." About one dozen students take part, but because of impending exams, attendance is about eight to 10 students at the Tuesday evening class.

"Sociology is our bread and butter and Yiddish one of our extra interests," says Levitt, who only had a smattering of the language as a child but began to learn it on his own seven or eight years ago.

Recently returned to Canada after four years of doctoral studies in West Berlin, the former Torontonian said he found Yiddish a help at first, but as his German improved, it became a hindrance. While in Berlin, he taught an introductory course in Yiddish at the Institute for Jewish Studies.

Shaffir, a native of Montreal and author of a book on the Lubavitcher Chassidim of that city, grew up in a Yiddish-speaking household. You can't expect the students to be fluent in Yiddish so soon after starting the course, he says, but "I am impressed that people coming in with virtually no background in Yiddish can now formulate sentences."

Omission

Credit for the photograph on the second section front of our Passover issue — a rare shot of a Burks Falls seder — was inadvertently left out. It should have been attributed to the Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region archives headed by Dr. Stephen Speisman, who supplied photographs for the issue. The CJN regrets this omission.

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A serious grievance

Phil Granovsky should be commended for having brought to light a grievance which a lesser man might have kept to himself.

After drawing the reluctant conclusion that the Jewish Agency and the Israeli government would not — or could not — fulfil their repeated promises to service Canada with top-drawer fund-raising speakers, the national president of the United Israel Appeal went public, declaring that Canada "does not receive the attention from Jerusalem that is warranted." In a veiled warning to the Jewish Agency's board of governors, Mr. Granovsky said: "If we are not serious about Canadian requirements for services, Canada will not take seriously Israel's pleas for money."

With all due respect, we advise the authorities in Jerusalem to heed his remarks. They are serious and well taken, and Moshe Kol, Israel's tourism minister, has already acknowledged their plain truth. In an interview in Toronto, Mr. Kol, no man to mince words, said he found the national president's charges "very shocking."

As Mr. Granovsky recognizes, however, there is a problem — a problem which Phil Givens, national president of the Canadian Zionist Federation, articulated: "They (the Israelis) have limited resources; they have to ration their time. We don't make concussion bombs and Phantoms. But I'm so used to being in the backwash of the American situation that I take it with a grain of salt, though it is discriminatory and deplorable."

On its simplest level, the reason why prime Israeli speakers such as Prime Minister Rabin and Defence Minister Peres bypass Canada when they visit the United States is because the U.S. plays a major role in Middle Eastern diplomacy and Canada does not. The U.S. supplies Israel with a regular flow of economic and military aid and Canada does not. And, as an Israeli embassy official in Ottawa explained, top Israeli figures address UIA dinners only in the context of their official visits to the United States. Since Ottawa's involvement with Israel is different, there is not such a great need for prominent Israelis to conduct talks with Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau once every year, or more often than that.

Nevertheless, the Israelis should attempt to work out an equitable arrangement whereby these personalities would be able to address UIA functions here after they have completed their official duties in Washington. Canada, it should be recalled, is now the second largest producer of UIA funds after the United States, and it would be sheer folly on the part of Israel to ignore — and thereby possibly alienate — some of its friends and supporters in this vast and wealthy country.

Threat from Blacks

Washington is a lot closer than Munich.

The recent terrorist attack against the B'nai B'rith building in the American capital underlines the vulnerability of Jewish institutions to assaults from political and religious fanatics.

The Hanafi Muslim sect which perpetrated the hostage-taking drama chose B'nai B'rith as a target because it wished to demonstrate its solidarity with the Arab cause. Subsequent statements by sect representatives have reinforced the anti-Jewish venom issuing forth from this group.

The fact that the members of this Muslim organization are American Blacks is ominous. Does it mean that conversion to Islam automatically brings with it hatred of Israel and the Jewish people?

This is not, of course, the first evidence of anti-Semitism which has been detected among 30 million Black Americans. But its focus among Black Muslims has been particularly virulent. Threats to behead an executive of a major Jewish organization are clearly not in the same category as bigoted remarks about Jewish affluence.

The identification of Blacks with Arab regimes, which appears to be increasing, is a curious and ironic development because the Arabs were early participants in the slave trade.

The sympathy which certain American Blacks display toward the Arabs originates undoubtedly in the Third World syndrome. From that distorted perspective Israel is portrayed as an agent of white imperialism while the Arabs are pictured as impotent victims. It is regrettable that some Blacks have bought this version of recent history.

Whatever the reasons for the current expression of anti-Israel and anti-Jewish sentiments among American Blacks, the situation has become serious and it warrants more effort on the part of Jewish organizations not only to understand the problem but to take measures to counter it.

Indecision

Secretary of State Cyrus Vance has completed his "listening" tour of the Middle East. What will come next? At this stage it is still too early to forecast; President Carter has still not made his approach clear, and will probably continue his explorations when Arab heads of state visit him shortly.

At this point, however, one fact seems self-evident and almost a cliche: A great deal will depend on the president's global approach to the problems of detente and the arms race with the USSR. If the USSR continues its present policy of maintaining a low profile in the Middle East and does not mobilize its forces to wreck a pax Americana, the way would seem to be open for a serious attempt to find an overall solution at Geneva.

Unfortunately, such a welcome outcome is still not certain. The principal obstacle is the fact that the two major parties to the conflict — the Palestinians and the Israelis — have still not made up their minds.

Most decision-makers in Israel still strongly insist on the need for at least partial annexations, to be achieved by favoring the slow movement of partial and interim agreements in return for termination of belligerence. This, they say, will allow the government to gain time for implementation of the Allon Plan, which has actually been Israeli policy for the last 10 years. This is still their preferred option, but growing economic problems, social stresses and crises in the political structure, all under the terrible burden of escalating military expenditures, have made them more flexible and ready to listen to friendly advice.

Meanwhile, momentum for a peace initiative is being maintained. It now seems clear that the United States will not propose a plan of its own before the PLO and Israel (after the elections) make up their minds.

[Simcha Flapan, New Outlook]

Comment

Keep play off CBC

By ANDREW MELES

The moral problem of support or condemnation of **The Merchant of Venice** has arisen once again. In Vancouver, the Jewish community is currently fighting the CBC to prevent the crown corporation from presenting this play on television by a local theatrical group.

Of course, the Jewish community argues that **The Merchant of Venice** is a stereotyped and false view of Jews which can lend to filling anti-Semitic arsenals. The CBC argues that the producer of the show is himself Jewish.

Should a stand be taken on the Merchant? Certainly it should! In fact, **Oliver Twist**, which enjoyed a great revival in the musical **Oliver**, should also be pushed to the dusty corner of the library. Dickens' contemporaries recognized the anti-Semitic message conveyed by Fagen, who was the dean of the school for crime for the London youths.

Aside from the Canadians who may have had a chance of meeting a real Jew, the works of Shakespeare and Dickens are the cornerstones on which English is taught in so many Third World countries.

It has often been argued that Shakespeare was sympathetic to the Jew, as witnessed by Shylock's "Hath not a Jew eyes?" speech. It has also been contended that the play can be produced so that Shylock is not portrayed as a villain. Having studied **The Merchant** and having seen a pro-Shylock rendering of it at Stratford, in both cases I was left with a feeling of profound discomfort.

The Merchant of Venice is a comedy. It concludes with Jessica, Shylock's daughter, losing her Judaism. It concludes with Shylock and his Judaism being ridiculed. Throughout the play Shylock's demand for a "pound of flesh" is strongly reminiscent of the slanderous and immortal blood accusations. This play is certainly inappropriate at Passover.

The Merchant of Venice has no place on a government subsidized television station. Such a production stereotyping Blacks or Pakistanis should not and would not be tolerated. Simply because **The Merchant of Venice** is a classic gives it no socially redeeming merit. This play cannot and must not be banned, but it should be held as an example of academically and culturally institutionalized anti-Semitism.

Mr. Meles is an elementary school teacher who is a graduate student at York and U. of T.

'Diaspora must realize it's number two'

By RABBI HERBERT FEDER

Reading any newspaper can be a sobering experience. The objective facts, as reported in the Toronto Star or the Jerusalem Post, must make any alert reader sit up and note that there are sundry problems facing Canadians, Jews, Israelis, and all mankind.

To the extent that The Canadian Jewish News reports objective facts must it also be considered a vehicle for dispersing information which will offer any sober reader much "food for thought." Often, however, The Canadian Jewish News does more than report. It sends out signals indicative of mood, feeling and attitude.

There is nothing intrinsically wrong with this. On the contrary, a responsible newspaper must stand for something and should try to influence its readers towards an understanding and acceptance of those positions which the newspaper considers valid. If this be the case, then an ongoing self-examination of editorial positions, ie. mood, feeling, attitude is in order.

One prays that it is not intentional, but The Canadian Jewish News as the house organ of the Canadian Jewish community often reflects moods and feelings of self-doubt. Reader attitudes cultivated by such self-doubt are bound to be dangerously compromised in the direction not just of sober realism (which we need) but of creeping anxiety bordering on fear (which we cannot afford).

In a recent issue of The Canadian Jewish News, for example, there were four separate items reporting four different examples of Diaspora malaise regarding Israel. There was diligent reporting of:
— Breira's dissenting voice vis-a-vis Israel's refusal to negotiate with the PLO;
— Bill Novak's address at Beth Tzedec, again criticizing Israel for not having been more sympathetic to accommodation with the Arabs;
— contemplated meetings between various Diaspora Jewish leaders like Nahum Goldmann and Sadat and/or PLO representatives, despite the objection of the Israeli government; and
— Rabbi Alexander Schindler's despair over the current situation inside Israel and his ominously ambiguous conclusion that there is a "need for a strong Diaspora as a guarantee for a flourishing Jewish future."

I grant you that The Canadian Jewish News is only reporting the facts. I grant you further that I am making claims which, because they have to do with moods, feelings, attitudes, may be easily construed as "subjective", "biased", perhaps "paranoiac". Well, to the extent that any Jew living in the post-Holocaust, third Jewish commonwealth state of Israel present may be accused of being subjective, biased, and paranoiac, call me guilty.

I am guilty of feeling that Breira, Bill Novak, Nahum Goldmann and Alexander Schindler do not represent the mainstream of contemporary Jewish thought, strategy or attitude. If I am wrong, and more and more Diaspora Jews are in fact starting to feel anxious, then let us and our representative newspapers at least recognize this anxiety for what it is — a combination of false pride and fear.

False pride is manifested by those Diaspora leaders who do not have the psychological security to cope with the fact that in this era Israel is at the centre of Jewish concern and that, therefore, Jews who live in Israel and who are immediately charged with defending Israel and securing Israel must be considered our primary world Jewish leadership.

This is not to underestimate the significant role which Diaspora Jewry and its leadership can and must play in this world Jewish commitment. But a Diaspora leader who does not face up to the fact that he is at best "number two" is in danger of initiating "dissent" which is less motivated by intellectual acumen than false pride.

It may be difficult for a Diaspora Jew to swallow the moral truth that unless an individual is himself immediately vulnerable to the consequences of a particular moral decision, he has in a very profound sense no right to an opinion. But if we have the maturity to swallow this truth and truly digest it we shall find ourselves more respectable moralists, more credible supporters of Israel, and less anxiety-ridden leaders of Diaspora Jewry.

It is that season of the year when we study about the Exodus. We learn that our ancestors were also afraid, and that their fear was constantly with them. They required "super-human" leadership to get them through a wilderness of self-doubt. In fact a generation of self-doubters never made it to the promised land. But they can't have been without redemptive awareness, for their children did make it.

Who are we and how do our leaders perceive themselves and us — as members of the wilderness generation or as children of that generation? We are obviously the children since the state of Israel exists. Would that Diaspora leadership behaved accordingly. And may reportage of such leadership reflect not the wilderness, but the beginning of redemption.

Rabbi Feder is spiritual leader of Beth Tikvah Synagogue in Toronto.

Letter to the Editor

'Manifesto for elderly'

Dear Editor:

I read Rabbi Baskin's review of the book by Alex Comfort, **The Good Age**, and bless both the writer and the reviewer.

Dr. Comfort's manifesto is a liberation for the elderly, as well as pertinent information on age and its problems. His basic theory against the thesis of the results of physical deterioration is that they flow from the role that we have assigned the elderly in our society.

This is how I view it and cry out far and wide to religious leaders to stop their wrong attitude and return to the respectful compassionate ruling of the Torah: "Honor thy father and thy mother that thy days (our children) may be long upon the land."

Older people need not retire. Older people are not seniors but persons. Take them back into your life with love and patience. Older people have much to contribute.

Ida L. Siegel,
Toronto

PR aside, aim of terrorists is still to push Israel into sea

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Ever since Syrian armor and Saudi Arabian diplomacy imposed a ceasefire on the combatants in the Lebanese civil war, the insistent rumor emanating from European and Arab capitals has been that the Palestine Liberation Organization might amend its national covenant and thereby accept Israel's existence.

Certain Palestinian leaders, and Western politicians with good connections in the Middle East, were responsible for spreading these stories.

Sabri Jiryis, deputy director of the PLO's research centre in Beirut, advocated a West Bank-Gaza Strip state in lieu of a secular, democratic state. His colleague, Said Hamami, the PLO representative in London, started a verbal offensive to convince public opinion in the West — as well as his own leadership — that the PLO should encourage a Palestinian entity in the occupied areas.

PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat

Hamami and Jiryis saw such a state as "the forerunner of a peaceful evolution which would, eventually, bring about a fusion of Israel and Palestine into one single unit," according to Louis Marton, publisher of the Paris-based Israel & Palestine.

Earlier this year, Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky announced that he had received a document from the PLO stating its readiness to accept a mini state on the West Bank and in the Gaza Strip. "It looks like a total change of policy," he declared effusively. "It is now up to the Israelis to find a way of co-existence with the Palestinians."

And UN Secretary General Kurt Waldheim, an Austrian, proclaimed that "a new, more flexible Palestinian attitude" had emerged. And he urged the Israelis "to catch the prevailing spirit of moderation... before it evaporates."

Kreisky and Waldheim based their well-meant optimism on two factors. The Lebanese strife had obliterated the myth that the Arabs were amenable to a secular state, and therefore the PLO was under pressure to acquiesce to the creation of a West Bank-Gaza Strip entity. The apparent willingness of Egypt and Syria to work toward a peaceful accommodation with Israel also lent greater credence to a 'West Bank' solution.

Hamami and Jiryis opted for a West Bank-Gaza Strip state in the belief that Israel could not be toppled by military or political means.

Undoubtedly, these considerations were taken into account when the Palestine National Council convened in Cairo last month. Nevertheless, the PLO chose to belittle these factors by deciding not to amend its controversial national charter, two of whose key articles read:

The liberation of Palestine, from an Arab viewpoint, is a national duty and it attempts to repel the Zionist and imperialist aggression against the Arab homeland, and aims at the elimination of Zionism in Palestine . . .

The partition of Palestine in 1947 and the establishment of the state of Israel are entirely illegal, regardless of the passage of time, because they were contrary to the will of the Palestinian people and to their natural rights in their homeland, and inconsistent with the principles embodied in the Charter of the United Nations, particularly the right to self-determination.

Skeptics unimpressed by the Council's verdict should take note of Newsweek's revealing interview with Farouk Kaddoumi, head of the PLO's political department. Asked if the PLO would recognize Israel after the creation of a West Bank-Gaza Strip state, he replied: "No. We don't recognize Israel."

He said that PLO strategy toward Israel consisted of three distinct stages.

The first phase would see Israel return to the 1967 lines, the second to the 1947 partition boundaries. "The third stage is the democratic state of Palestine. So we are fighting for these three stages...."

Kaddoumi's candid statement, together with the PLO's refusal to amend its charter, clearly rules out the prospect of an early Arab-Israeli settlement, hardens Israeli and U.S. policy and complicates Egypt's diplomatic stance.

On the most immediate level, the Cairo decision signifies one of two things: either that radicals within the PLO have won a crucial victory over the moderates, or that the radicals and moderates intend to save recognition of Israel as their last political trump card.

Whatever interpretation proves to be correct, the likelihood is that there will be a fierce ideological battle between moderates (allegedly led by PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat), and radicals (whose leader is George Habash of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine).

Contrary to some opinion, the PLO, like any other political organization, is not a monolithic group. The lessons of Lebanon have been absorbed by some of the leaders. Circumstances will decide whether the moderates prevail over the radicals.

In the meantime, however, the PLO will have to live with its decision.

U.S. policy will certainly be affected. On the eve of his recent trip to the Middle East, Secretary of State Cyrus Vance said he planned to explore "in depth" the possibility that the PLO leadership had moderated its position toward Israel. "...if there has been moderation in the Palestinians' policy, then obviously this would be helpful," he told reporters.

Now, in the wake of the Palestine National Council's meeting, Washington will have to make some adjustments. The U.S. will find it hard to ask Israel to attend the Geneva Peace Conference with a PLO delegation present, and senior officials will probably view with greater favor the Israeli scheme for a Jordanian-controlled West Bank.

In Israel, hawks will feel they were vindicated about the PLO, but they will conveniently forget that, PLO or no PLO, the plight of the Palestinians remains one of the paramount problems in the Middle East. The PLO decision will benefit Jordan but not Egypt.

During Cyrus Vance's trip to Cairo, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat laid his prestige on the line by suggesting that the Palestinians and the Jordanians set up a confederation as a means of breaking the impasse between Israel and the Palestinians. A confederation, consisting of the West Bank and Jordan, might meet Israel's need for security, the Palestinians' yearning for a homeland and the Arabs' insistence on an Israeli withdrawal from occupied lands.

If the PLO remains committed to a secular state, Israel and Egypt will find it increasingly difficult to negotiate an interim, or lasting, settlement. Jordan, however, could benefit because PLO intransigence might convince the Israelis to bargain with the Jordanians over the West Bank.

PLO poster proclaims: "This is the way to liberation of my homeland. And so, my brothers, I'll fight on." Sheldon Kirshner says failure of PLO to amend its national covenant rules out prospect of an early Arab–Israeli settlement, hardens U.S. and Israeli policy and complicates the diplomatic stance of President Sadat of Egypt.

United Israel Appeal of Canada leaders stroll through the market place in the Palestinian settlement in the Gaza strip. CJN reporter Janice Arnold joined the 10-day mission.

Rose Bogoch of Edmonton leaves army bunker on Golan Heights. Mission members came from across Canada. Leading group was Kappy Flanders, head of women's division.

Members pose before Good Fence on Lebanese border at Metulla. Other highlights of mission included meetings with Golda Meir and Nina Katzir, wife of Israel's president.

Women find UIA mission to Israel exhausting yet exhilarating

By JANICE ARNOLD

JERUSALEM —
The telephone rings at 5:30 a.m. — sharp. This is our first and last wake-up call. We have one hour and 15 minutes to wash, dress, eat breakfast and be ready in the lobby of the hotel with whatever coats, boots or other paraphernalia we'll need for the day. There is no compromise on time on a United Israel Appeal of Canada mission. Those who are not in the lobby by 6:45 are presumed to be not going.

About 20 of us are herded into three taxis and whisked off to catch a 7:30 flight to the north of Israel, where we will travel by bus to the Golan Heights.

Crossing the Jordan River into the mountainous wilderness, we roll along seemingly endless miles of bumpy, winding roads that take us up, down and around the hillsides. We are driven in typical Israeli fashion — a cruising speed of about 90 m.p.h. — from time to time being brought out of our reverie by a gaping ravine appearing just below us as we turn an especially sharp corner.

But we are in good hands. With us today, in addition to our guide, Reuven Ragowski, is Lt. Col. Eli Bar-Lev, on reserve duty, who leads us along the old Syrian frontier, bringing alive the events of the Six Day War. He points out the kibbutzim in the valley below, whose members steadfastly refuse to move despite their vulnerable position, and takes us to a monument to those who were killed in June, 1967, all the time reminding us to watch our step — there are still tens of thousands of land mines planted on the Golan.

We return to our bus, passing gingerly through the remnants of war — rusted barbed wire and tomb-like bomb shelters scattered over the fields. Then we're off to an isolated army bunker "somewhere on the Golan," passing the Syrian town of Kuneitra, snow-capped Mt. Hermon, and the UN base where peace-keeping troops are stationed.

From there we head for the Lebanese border to the town of Metulla, one of three gates on the Good Fence, where a steady flow of Lebanese are allowed across the border to the clinic for medical treatment.

It's a quick lunch and we're back on the road to Ma'alot, the development town in Upper Galilee where 22 schoolchildren were captured and murdered by terrorists three years ago. Mediterranean-bound, we slip past Nahariya and Acre to Haifa for tea at the home of the patrons of the Goldman Art Gallery atop Mt. Carmel.

At 6:30, we begin our 3½ hour journey home — the Jerusalem Hilton — that culprit, time, again will not allow us to stop for supper. By now, we are ready to let our hair down. Some sleep in the back of the bus; others take turns on the tour guide's microphone leading us at the front in Israeli, Jewish, American, British and even Quebecois songs. Back at the Hilton, all of us are ready for hamburgers in the hotel's deli.

This is a typical, not exceptional, day in a UIA women's mission. This year's 10-day mission was the fourth since 1974, with 21 women from across Canada taking up the challenge.

Travelling to and from Israel takes up almost two of the 10 days, but the time that remains is put to the best use possible, with our days rarely beginning later than 7 a.m. and finishing before 11 p.m. A mission is a crash course in current Israel, where one is required to absorb an almost continuous barrage of verbal and visual data that starts only hours after landing at Lod. A mission member leaves Israel with the feeling she has been away far longer than she has, and may see more of the country than the average Israeli does in a lifetime.

The 21 women on the mission also travelled to the Gaza Strip to see the pre-1967 and new Israeli-built Palestinian housing, a Nahal settlement, Moshav S'dot in the northern Sinai and the planned city of Yamit on the Mediterranean coast. They caught a rare glimpse of an air force and an army base near Tel Aviv, Israel's only parachuting school and the Women's Army Base, where all female soldiers spend their first five weeks of military service.

The reconstructed kibbutz, Kfar Etzion, was toured. The original kibbutz, Etzion, was destroyed and the entire male population of 150 killed by the Jordanians in 1948, the day before the state of Israel was proclaimed. The women and children were evacuated, however, and, with the assistance of some Americans and Canadians, the children of those who were slain began rebuilding Kfar Etzion in 1967.

The mission members went to Ben-Gurion University of the Negev and its Desert Research Institute at Sde Boker, the kibbutz where Ben-Gurion lived and is now buried. An unseasonable snowfall in Jerusalem on Purim cancelled a trip to a settlement on the West Bank but, except for that, Saturday afternoon was the only time we could call our own.

An important part of the mission was meeting with prominent Israelis like Ephraim Evron, soon to be ambassador to Great Britain; Raphaella Bilsky, advisor to the prime minister on socio-economic affairs; member of the Knesset Esther Herlitz; Nina Katzir, wife of the Israeli president; political scientist Meron Medzini; Golda Meir; as well as Canadians and Americans who have successfully made aliyah. A group of Soviet olim also conferred with the mission.

The itinerary of the mission was drawn up by Keren Hayesod, with personal touches added by mission leader Faigie Zimmerman.

A UIA mission is not a sightseeing tour; it is not for those who would prefer a chaise-lounge on a beach in Eilat. It can be physically and mentally trying for all, but the very fit or very keen. It is at once exhausting and exhilarating. Don't ask a mission member if she had fun — ask her if she will ever forget.

IRREPRESSIBLE IDA

Ida Siegel receives Samuel Bronfman Medal from Judge Sydney Harris, president of Canadian Jewish Congress, at recent national CJC meeting in Toronto. Mrs. Siegel, 92, is one of three honorary CJC vice-presidents and active in several organizations.

'In the shaping of community policies, we must consider changed environment'

Following are excerpts of the annual report given by Toronto Jewish Congress President Milton Harris to the annual meeting of the TJC last month:

We are a people with a strong sense of past history but often overlook the dynamic changes which have taken place, since World War II, in the general environment our community lives in. Because these changes are not always understood by community leadership, our response to important issues is often inappropriate and ineffective.

Let me sketch some of the major changes which should be taken into account in the setting of community policies.

The Holocaust and the establishment of the Jewish state has had an enormous effect, both on the general attitude of the Christian community to Jews and on the image which Jews have of themselves.

In particular, our failure to understand the impact of the Holocaust on the consciousness of the thinking Christian has caused us to underestimate the level of support for Jewish causes amongst our fellow Canadians and often inhibits effective political action.

A corollary is the changed perception of the Jew in our society. Recent studies in the U.S. have shown that the Jew, who used to be considered "grasping, sly, underhanded, and rich", is now thought of as "aggressive, clever, and rich", but these latter qualities are now generally admired in our society.

That is not to say that anti-Semitism is dead in Canada, but we must realize that it is now a fringe sentiment, and no longer has any strength in the mainstream of Canadian society. No longer are Jews barred by design from the "executive suite" and the barriers to exclusive clubs have been broken down whenever a concerted effort has been made.

We have not really analyzed why we have been so successful since World War II in finding support among the Canadian and American people for Jewish issues, and particularly the existence of the Jewish state. The main reason, reinforced by the changed perception of the Jew, is because we share the same system of human values, which stems from the teachings of the Hebrew prophets, and the Arabs do not.

Because the Arabs do not share a common human value system, the impact of lavish Arab spending on Canadian public opinion will be minimal.

Arab spokesmen can never convince the Canadian people of the justification for wanton terrorism which indiscriminately kills women and children; nor can Canadians fail to be repelled by public hangings in the main square of Damascus, or the axe-killing of women and children in Lebanon; and there is universal resentment here against Arab oil blackmail.

It is significant that a recent study of prejudice in high schools in Toronto not only evidenced widespread bias against East Indians, but also showed that more than half of the teenagers harbored a strong bias against Arabs and associated them with terrorism and oil blackmail. It is the Arabs, and not the Jews, who have to struggle against a pejorative image in our society.

Of course, I am not suggesting that we can slacken our efforts in the battle for public opinion, but only that the tone of our campaigns should change in consonance with the changes in the society around us.

Too often we approach a Jewish political issue with a defensive posture — we feel instinctively that everyone else is against us and that we are waging an uphill battle against hostile governments and an unfriendly public. The level of media and public support in Canada and the U.S. for such issues as the existence of Israel, Soviet Jewry, and opposition to the Arab boycott should cause us to reconsider community attitudes.

I often wonder at the patience of some of our supporters whose motivation and constancy for our cause are continually under suspicion. I am sure that we are often found to be more troublesome to our friends than to our enemies.

This defensive attitude often makes us reluctant to lobby and embarrassed when we are successful — but the right to lobby for Jewish causes is both a right and an obligation in a democratic society.

Many of the veteran members of our community have failed to understand that the Holocaust and the establishment of Israel have wrought a fundamental change in the philosophical complexion of our community.

Before the war there was a substantial division of opinion in our community between those who supported the Zionist ideal and those who were opposed or indifferent. Generally the Zionists were the Jewish working class ("Am Cha") and those opposed were the wealthier segment ("Gevirim").

This continued perception of an "irrepressible class struggle" was at the core of the opposition to the merger of the Welfare Fund and Congress.

But, since the war, there has been a consensus between all segments of the community on the priority of Jewish national survival, both here in Canada and in Israel. The community is unified as never before and the merger has only given tangible expression to this underlying philosophical unity.

The apprehensions of a takeover by the "Gevirim" are outdated and have proven to be unjustified in the merged organization, the TJC.

'Confidence must be restored'

By A. J. ARNOLD

Is Israel a state like any other state in the world, or does it really have some higher ethical and moral purpose?

Much has been made of the fact that in Israel a Jew can be anything and everything from president or prime minister to a policeman on the beat, a taxi-driver on the street, or even a thief or a prostitute.

There is no contradiction between this and the fact that Israel was established largely as a result of the liberationist element of Zionism, which always considered a Jewish state vital to the fulfilment of Jewish nationhood in the modern world. This was linked to the view that the ideals of Jewish ethical traditions would find a home in the Jewish state from which to inspire and motivate Jews living throughout the world — and even to influence the world at large.

Like all other people, Jews have long-range aspirations as well as immediate needs. Once their immediate need for food, shelter and clothing is fulfilled, Jews are said to turn more quickly than others toward attainment of long-term goals.

This is a reflection of the internal conflict within every human being: whether to seek always to fulfill only selfish and self-centred objectives, or to work for higher goals that may help other people.

It is considered quite proper to turn to higher humanitarian goals after one's own immediate needs have been satisfied. But, of course, there are countless examples throughout Jewish history and up to the present era of people who work for the well-being of others in a self-sacrificing manner. In Israel, particularly, the sacrificial approach has led to the point of no return — the giving up of one's life for the welfare of the people.

In many ways, Israelis are indeed the same as any other people. Some are selfish and some are self-sacrificing, and it will surely always be so. But when personal ambition becomes mixed up with the pursuit of higher ideals, the result more often than not turns out to be corruption.

We who live outside Israel are certainly not in a position to take a "holier than thou" attitude to these sordid events in the Jewish state. Nor can we take refuge in the excuse that Jews are indeed no better and no worse than any other people. The "better" must triumph over the "worse", and this triumph must come sooner than later if Jewish life is to survive in a meaningful form in Israel or anywhere else for that matter.

Corruption cannot be treated as just another partisan issue from which one party in Israel may suffer some loss and another may derive some gain. It must be dealt with decisively, on a non-partisan basis and in a manner to restore confidence in the very quality of Jewish life in keeping with the highest traditions of gemiluth Chassadim and other ethical precepts.

As immigrants became accustomed to new life, they sought out setting only new 'Ys' provided

Landmark Events In Our History

By ROCHELLE CARR

All signs pointed to an American fratricidal war. It was April 8, 1860. Partly due to the impending conflict, Baltimore's Young Men's Hebrew Association closed its doors that year.

In 1854, Baltimore, with a Jewish population around 7,000, had the honor of forming the first, though short-lived, YMHA. Generally, the 'Y' movement was a as much a part of the life of Jewish immigrants in North America as were the landsmanshaften, literary societies and settlement houses. Each, in its own way, served to bring the immigrants a step closer to making them feel at home in the New World.

Following the Baltimore lead, 'Ys' began springing up in other places, including several in New York state, in Augusta, Georgia in 1857, in Louisville, Kentucky in 1862, and what some say was the first YM-YWHA in New York City, founded in 1874. When Baltimore's YWHA opened, after World War I, it immediately attracted over 1,000 women.

In 1919, at a meeting in the Strand Theatre in Toronto, an attempt was made to form an organization called the "Hebrew Association of Young Men's and Young Women's Clubs". Although this attempt failed, it became a precursor of the future YMHA in Toronto in 1930.

The background to the birth of the Toronto 'Y' paralleled, to a great degree, that of its American counterparts. Settlement houses, literary groups and other types of clubs tended to precede the 'Ys'. After Jews began feeling more a part of their new life in North America and as they started to have some leisure time, they sought out a 'Y' setting.

Particularly after World War II, the 'Ys' south of the border lost their American emphasis, and the 'Ys' on both sides of the border began leaning more and more toward activities that stressed Jewish values and other aspects of Judaism, while still remaining, basically, secular institutions.

The concern with cultural advancement rather than religion was seen right from the beginning. For example, Oscar S. Straus, the secretary of commerce and labor in the Theodore Roosevelt cabinet and an early backer of the 'Y' movement, once gave a paper at a 'Y' entitled "The Origin of the Republican Form of Government in the United States."

On both sides of the border, the cultural aspect was quickly supplemented with other endeavors such as athletics (it is believed the first 'Y' swimming pool was built in 1891 in Philadelphia) and camps for the youth.

The 'Y' movement also helped make the Jewish social conscience more visible. Not only did it produce an increased demand for social workers, but it also influenced the growth of social work studies in the universities.

In 1913, a national 'Y' body was formed in the United States. Despite some setbacks, such as some synagogue opposition based on the belief that this type of Jewish organization seemed to be too secular, 'Ys' continued to flourish, particularly after World War I.

North of the border, in Toronto, various mergers took place and various temporary facilities were used until, in 1940, a YM-YWHA was officially formed. Its first permanent home was situated at Bloor and Spadina in 1953, and a second home was built eight years later in the northern end of the city. The expanded facilities of the northern building are indicative of the historical trend of the North American 'Y' movement — that is, its attempt to meet some of the contemporary needs of Jews.

J.B. Salsberg's column will resume in the next issue. The staff of The Canadian Jewish News express their condolences to the family of the late Sarah Salsberg.

Organizations and People

what's new...

BY MIRIAM HERMAN

Who said there's nothing new under the sun? Sure, eating bagels is the all-American pastime — but wearing them around the neck, using them as personalized place cards, hanging them on the wall? Apparently Willie Evans of Lender's Bagel Bakery in West Haven, Conn., has created a new art form which consists of painting faces on miniature bagels. So far he has created over 6,000 "Bagelheads" for necklaces, greeting cards and home decorations.

HUMAN RELATIONS TASK FORCE

A Task Force on Human Relations was set up earlier this year to assess whether there has been a rise in racism in Metro Toronto and whether this has led to an increase in violence against particular minority groups. The chairman, Walter Pitman, has invited groups and individuals to submit short briefs or meet with him and his staff to discuss evidence of increase, reasons and suggestions for action by the committee. Comments should be sent by April 15 to him, c/o Task Force on Human Relations, Metro Chairman's Office, 2nd floor, City Hall, Toronto M5H 2N1, or if you wish to arrange a meeting, call Dorothy Ellis at 367-8023.

SERVICE FOR RUSSIANS

This Saturday, the 9th, Beth Tzedec Congregation is hosting members of the Association of Russian Jews of Toronto at a special service and kiddush. The guests will be welcomed by Rabbi Benjamin Friedberg, with the response being given by Grigory Svirsky, author of **The Hostages**, a documentary account of anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union today.

LZA SINGLES EVENTS

Different Labor Zionist Alliance singles groups have planned events for this week — If you happen to get a copy of this paper a day early, here's a notice about the Toronto Social Action (21-29) all-night party on Thursday, the 7th, starting at 8:30 p.m. at the Young Adults Centre, 19 Hillmount Ave....A 50s Sock Hop is on the boards for the Odd Singles (24-39) and the Mid Singles (31-43) this Sunday, the 10th, at 9 p.m. at the LZA centre on Viewmount.

FOR SENIORS

The Good Age Club at the Bloor 'Y' is showing two films this Wednesday evening, the 13th — **David Ben-Gurion**, in which the Israeli statesman talks about his early days and the formation of the Jewish state, and **Maritime Holiday**, outlining a vacation through the Atlantic provinces. That's at 7:30 in the lounge.

SPRING PROGRAMS AT YMCA

Spring is really here, according to the North York YMCA. And they have printed up a booklet of spring programs to prove it. It lists over 200 programs for every member of the family. Get your brochure by calling 225-7773.

BLOCK PARENT WORKSHOP

The National Council of Jewish Women, Toronto section, reports that the first block parent organizers conference was a huge success. Some 125 organizers and educators attended the all-day workshop at Council House recently. Community agencies, boards of education, police and governmental departments provided resource people to lead the sessions. The workshop was co-ordinated by NCJW with the assistance of community block parent committees. A Wintario grant helped cover conference expenses.

CONCERT TIME

The Pride of Israel Sick Benefit Society is holding its annual Passover concert at the Pride of Israel Temple this Sunday, the 10th, at 8 p.m.

A CBC-sponsored choral concert featuring three choirs follows worship services at Holy Blossom Temple Friday evening, the 15th. The program, **Psalms**, will be presented by the temple choir, St. Simon's Boys Choir and a local Greek Orthodox choir, with Cantor Sheldon Merel appearing as one of the soloists. CBC will record the program for broadcast at a later date on the national network. Services begin at 8:25.

AT B'NAI ISRAEL BETH DAVID

There are two interesting lectures scheduled at B'nai Israel Beth David Congregation this week....The sisterhood will hear Max Goody, deputy president of the Zionist Organization of Canada, discuss **Israeli Elections on the Eve of Peace Negotiations** at their meeting on Tuesday, the 12th, at 8:30 p.m....Then on Wednesday at 8:15 p.m., the Contemporary Affairs Institute is presenting Toronto psychiatrist Dr. Henry Fenigstein in a talk on **Living — During and After the Holocaust**.

...about people

Jean-Pierre Goyer

A reminder that Federal Supply and Services Minister **Jean-Pierre Goyer** is to be the guest speaker at the Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce and Industry luncheon slated for Tuesday, April 26, at noon in the Canadian Room of the Royal York Hotel. And if you are planning to attend, be sure to make your reservations by writing the Chamber, First Canadian Place, P.O.B. 31, 100 King St. West, Toronto M5X 1A9.

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More kudos for **Joseph and Faye Tanenbaum**, who are to be honored at the National Dinner of Torah Schools for Israel taking place at the New York Hilton on Sunday the 24th. The Toronto couple have been singled out for their "exemplary Torah philosophy both here and in Israel, especially for their concern for the education of the younger generation". The Torah Schools, which educate some 40,000 students in 115 communities throughout Israel, has a Teachers' Institute in Jerusalem, as well as a Teachers' College in the Negev, that bears the name of the Tanenbaums.

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Beth Sholom Brotherhood's 27th annual humanitarian award goes to Ontario Attorney-General **Roy McMurtry**. The presentation will be made by U.S. Ambassador **Thomas Enders** at a gala dinner at the synagogue this Wednesday, the 13th.

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A 21-year-old doctoral candidate in economics from Washington, D.C. will be rosh moshava at B'nei Akiva's Camp Moshava this summer. He's **Aaron Lerner**, who has been active in B'nei Akiva for the past 10 years and is planning on making aliyah when he completes his studies. As rosh moshava, he will head up programing at the co-ed religious Zionist camp in Enismore, Ont.

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Also among the interesting speakers lined-up for this month is **Lynne Gordon**, the chairman of the Ontario Status of Women Council, who will be addressing the annual meeting of the Federation of Jewish Women's Organizations on Monday the 18th. A well-known writer, broadcaster and consumer advocate (she created the CKEY **Consumer Desk** program), Miss Gordon was appointed to her present position on the Council last fall, succeeding Laura Sabia. The agenda of the luncheon meeting, called for 12:30 at Beth Sholom Synagogue, also includes the installation of new officers and executive. The FJWO operates under the auspices of Toronto Jewish Congress. For reservations, call 869-3811, local 277.

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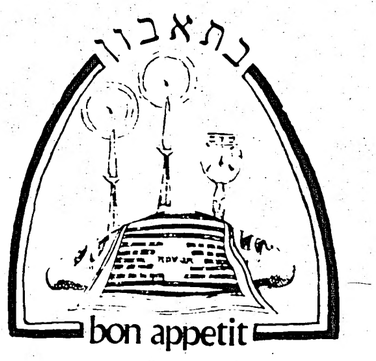
Here and there — **Alan Robbins**, who is running for mayor of Los Angeles against incumbent Tom Bradley, is a grand-nephew of **Shalom Aleichem**, whose family name is Rabinowitz....Israel's "Florence Nightingale" schwester **Selma Mayer** received a $5,000 award from the Israel Variety Club. The 92-year-old head nurse emeritus of Shaare Zedek Hospital in Jerusalem came to Israel in 1916 and became the country's first registered nurse. She gave the award money to the hospital toward setting up its new pediatric surgical department.

Organizing leftovers in an elegant form



By MARCIA KRETZMER

JERUSALEM —

Pesach — festival of spring when all things are made new: trees flaunt their delicate new foliage, the birds rejoice, miniature pink cyclamens peep out shyly between rocks, baby lambs are led to pasture in the hills around Jerusalem — and it's time for the big cleanup....

The house slowly becomes uninhabitable as room after room is turned inside out, and the contents of cupboards are spilled out onto the floor, amid choking clouds of dust.

The cleaning work is not, however, without its moments of drama: "Guess what I've found!" you shout, as you come upon a glove you had been searching for all winter.

The vegetable peeler you thought you had thrown out with the vegetable peelings turns up in one cupboard, the rubber washer from the inside of the blender turns up in another.

The going is somewhat slow. Letters you thought you had mailed must be torn open and read eagerly to see what you were doing when you wrote them. A heap of misplaced photographs of the children must be gloated over, and there and then, stuck into the album. On an impulse you decide to reorganize all your files.

Members of the family are gradually restricted as to where they may eat chometz. Soon they may eat only in the kitchen — but that is when they discover they have been conned. Because at that stage of the proceedings, there is nothing to eat. Or more precisely: how is one supposed to make proper meals from the strange collection of oddments one finds in refrigerator and kitchen cupboard?

It would tax the ingenuity of the most earnest food columnist to compose a semblance of a meal from five softish carrots, some leftover poppyseed mixture for **hamantaschen**, half a jar of fruit chutney, one muffin, a bag of wheatgerm, a frozen cod fillet, one cheese slice, two frozen bagels, a third of a jar of olives, half a bottle of white wine, and most of a container of pickled herring.

In our family, we eat up all these things anyway. Afterwards, the air is thick with groans and mutual recriminations as we prowl around the house bitterly regretting our folly. But if you are a touch more discriminating, you will want to organize your leftovers into a more elegant and appetizing form.

Blender Soup

Any leftover vegetables, fresh, frozen or canned (carrots, potatoes, corn, peas, sprouts, cabbage, onions, tomatoes etc.)
water
salt and pepper
rice or noodles (optional)
tomato paste, soup powder, Worcester sauce, soy sauce (all optional)
chopped hardboiled egg, parsley, soup nuts, fried bread croutons (optional garnishes)

1. cook vegetables in water to barely cover, with choice of seasonings and rice or noodles if used. When tender, puree vegetables in blender, return to pan and reheat slowly adding whichever garnishings come to hand

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Savory Blintzes for a Main Course

2 cups flour
3 eggs, beaten lightly
1/2 tsp. salt
2 cups water
suggested fillings

- *2 1/2 cups pureed chicken and vegetables, or chopped, cooked chicken bound with one egg, breadcrumbs, and a squeeze lemon juice*
- *2 1/2 cups flaked, cooked fish mixed with grated cheese and one egg, or tomato paste and curry powder, or melted margarine, mashed potato and finely chopped onion & parsley*
- *2 1/2 cups meat filling made from minced hamburger or roast beef, grated onion, and either beaten egg and breadcrumbs, or tomato paste to bind*

1. mix flour and salt, stir in eggs and add water slowly, beating constantly to achieve a smooth batter
2. oil a frying pan well and heat slowly. Pour 2–3 tblsps. batter per blintz, and tip pan quickly in all directions to spread batter thinly
3. when blintz begins to curl slightly at edges, remove quickly and place cooked side uppermost, on a damp cloth, then repeat process till all blintzes are made. Blintzes can be stacked, on a plate with intervening leaves of damp kitchen paper
4. make filling of your choice and place 1 level tblsp. filling in centre of cooked side of each blintz, and roll into a package
5. heat 2 tblsps. oil in pan and fry two or three blintzes at a time until golden brown. Serve piping hot with mushroom or tomato sauce. Makes 15–18 depending on size

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Sweet Blintzes

add 1/2 tsp. sugar to previous blintz recipe
suggested fillings

- *2 cups well-drained, chopped stewed fruit or chopped or pureed fresh fruit, mixed with 1/2 cup breadcrumbs, and raisins, grated lemon peel, or ground or chopped nuts to taste*

1. follow same procedure as in previous recipe, but make smaller blintzes with 1 heaped tsp. filling. Serve hot or warm

Serving suggestions

- warmed, melted honey and a sprinkling of chopped nuts
- warmed, melted jam
- scoops of ice cream

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Shabbat Shalom!

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Two excellent master methods of doing this are blender soups and crepes (or blintzes).

Any collection of vegetables, fresh or frozen, can be cooked with the remains of the contents of a tube of tomato paste, for example, pureed in the blender and reheated slowly with the addition of that handful of noodles left at the bottom of the packet. Oven-crisp your leftover frozen bagels, and you have a respectable first course.

A blintz mixture is a good way of using up opened packets of flour. You can make them savory, with fillings of cooked chicken, fish, or meat. Sweet blintzes can be made with perishable oddments of fresh fruit or leftover stewed fruit. Serve them with warmed, melted jam, scoops of ice cream, or syrup.

Plan book fair to mark opening of 'Y' arts centre

TORONTO —

The first annual Jewish Book Fair will be held later this year as part of the inaugural celebration to mark the opening of the North YM-YWHA Koffler Centre for the Arts and the Leah Posluns Theatre.

Running for nine days, beginning Saturday evening, Nov. 26 until Sunday, Dec. 4, the fair will feature meet-the-author programs, autographed books, displays and a large selection of new books of Jewish interest or content.

Lillian Wax

Lillian Wax, co-ordinator of Jewish Book Fair '77, heads a committee which represents four constituent groups — Federation of Jewish Women's Organizations, YM-YWHA, Jewish Cultural Council and Jewish Public Library. The committee is in the process of selecting a volunteer staff to help set up the book fair.

"We need knowledgeable people who have an interest in books generally, or who have some specialized talents," Mrs. Wax explained. "We would like to get people with an English, Jewish or Hebrew literary background, and those who have an interest in children's books, and anyone who has had experience in display or decoration."

A meeting to brief volunteers will be held Tuesday, April 19 in the new Leah Posluns Theatre, located at the North 'Y'. The book fair committee will be on hand to explain what type of input will be expected from volunteers.

Persons wishing to offer their services for the book fair are invited to attend the meeting, which will begin promptly at 1 p.m. Anyone requiring further information may call Min Harris at 869-3811.

King may give up Saudi leadership

LONDON [JTA] —

King Khaled of Saudi Arabia is considering giving up the leadership of his country following two operations on his hip which he has undergone in London, diplomatic sources say.

Since succeeding the late King Feisal, who was assassinated two years ago, 64-year-old Khaled has also held the post of prime minister. It is thought he may give up one or both of the posts to Crown Prince Fahd, the strong-man of the Saudi regime.

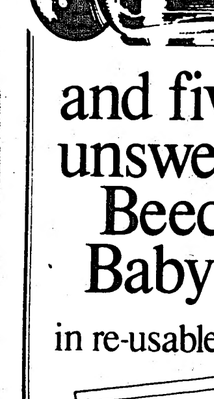
It was disclosed here that King Khaled, who is expected to leave the private Wellington Hospital shortly, has purchased a house in London's Hampstead district. He paid 1.9 million pounds sterling for the eight bedroom mansion, which has its own lake, stables, squash and tennis courts and London's biggest private swimming pool.

Boycott bank

LONDON [JTA] —

Saudi Arabia has become the ninth country to place Barclays Bank on the Arab boycott blacklist, according to reports from Saudi capital, Riyadh.

The move follows Barclays' refusal to terminate its 50% stake in Barclays Discount Bank, set up jointly five years ago with the Israel Discount Bank. Barclays are unlikely to alter their policy of trading with Israel, where they have been established for more than half a century.



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Regina Eisenstein (left), Dr. Paul Rayman and Chava Kwinta — all survivors of the Holocaust — look at part of Holocaust display mounted by Canadian Jewish Congress. The three were all seminar leaders of a program sponsored by Congress last month at Ontario Institute for Studies in Education.

Oskar Morawetz

Belva Spiel

Steven Staryk

Concert honors Morawetz

TORONTO —

A concert in honor of the 60th birthday of composer Oskar Morawetz will highlight Yom Ha'atzmaut activities at Beth Tikvah Synagogue on April 21.

The concert will be produced in co-operation with the CBC and will feature the CBC Festival Orchestra conducted by Boris Brott with guest artists Belva Spiel, soprano, and Steven Staryk, violinist.

The program will consist of Prokofieff's **Overture on Jewish Themes**, Oskar Morawetz' **From the Diary of Anne Frank** with soloist Spiel, and the Toronto premiere of Srul Glick's **Concerto for Violin and Orchestra**, which will be performed by Staryk.

Brott, who will conduct the CBC Festival Orchestra, is the musical director and conductor of the Hamilton Philharmonic, chief conductor of the BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra, and principal conductor of the CBC Winnipeg Orchestra.

Brott has had a distinguished career and has conducted many of the world's most famous orchestras. He has achieved an international reputation as a conductor and as a musical director.

The guest of honor, Oskar Morawetz, is professor of music at the University of Toronto. His orchestral compositions have been performed by nearly 140 orchestras and by many outstanding conductors, such as Mehta, Ozawa, Kubelik, Steinberg, Boult, Susskind and Ancerl.

Morawetz' works first came into prominence after he won the award given by the Canadian Composers Association (CAPAC) for the best works written in this country in 1945 and 1946. Other honors of international importance followed, culminating in 1971 with the Segal Foundation award for the most important contributions to Jewish culture and music in Canada.

The foundation award was presented to Morawetz for his composition **From the Diary of Anne Frank**.

Anxiety permeates university students

TORONTO —

An atmosphere of anxiety permeates the University of Toronto campus and has begun to filter through to Hillel, says Ben Mayer, director of Hillel House for the past six years.

"Students are really worried about the lack of opportunity for college graduates," Mayer said. "They're beginning to learn that a BA degree doesn't mean much in the job market, and this puts an additional strain on us. They're working harder and are finding less time for outside activities."

Because of this and what Mayer refers to as the "commuter" type of student at the U of T, Hillel is evaluating the possibility of acquiring a day-time facility closer to the heart of the campus. This facility, Mayer emphasized, would in no way take the place of present headquarters on St. George just north of Bloor. The old mansion, which has served as a meeting place for U of T Jewish students for many years, was renovated in the summer of 1975, and is frequented by students evenings and weekends for social gatherings, lectures and Judaic courses.

Toronto Jewish Congress, through funds raised in the United Jewish Appeal campaign, has allocated $66,765 for the 1976-77 fiscal year for Hillel activities and programs. The student campaign on the U of T campus has raised $12,000 through a variety of fund-raising efforts, resulting in the most successful UJA campaign ever held on that campus.

(Hillel also receives $15,000 from B'nai B'rith District 22 and local B'nai B'rith is responsible for building renovations and equipment.)

Hillel, says Mayer, has a membership list of 650 students. Fifteen are actively involved in planning a variety of programs, which this year amounted to 50 different activities. For special events like the Elie Wiesel lecture, 1,000 showed up; the recent Purim dance held in the Great Hall at Hart House attracted 700.

"I don't want Hillel to become an entertainment centre," Mayer commented. "The El Mocambo is far better equipped for that. This should be a centre for Jewish students to come to, to use our library, exchange ideas and expand their Jewish awareness."

A pilot program which began this year is the Vocational Referral Project. "We put together a list of B'nai B'rith lodge members by profession and matched up students who are going into those professions. They are given a few days of actual experience in lawyers' and doctors' offices, even providing them with an opportunity to observe operations in progress," said Mayer.

"We show them the nature of the work and give them a chance to really make up their minds as to whether they want to make this their life's career. Of course this is most helpful to a student just starting a course. To date, 20 students have been involved in the project, which, I believe, is the first of its kind."

Ben Mayer is a native of Cleveland, Ohio, where he attended Western Reserve University and later the Yeshiva University School of Social Work in New York. Prior to his present position, he was BBYO director here for two years.

Instead of the present proliferation of programs that may or may not appeal to the majority, Mayer would like to create small groups of students from various faculties who would put together small lecture series of specific interest to the particular group. What he has in mind is a Jewish law student or medical student society and groups from other disciplines.

"They would be responsible for their own programs, not Hillel," he explained, "and in that way get to know each other on a more personal level. This is the direction that we think Hillel should take to attract a greater variety of Jewish students."

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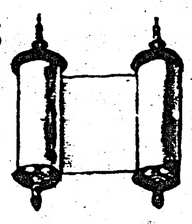

By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Song of Songs/Shvii v'achron Pesach/Yiskor [Sunday]/Sefirat Ha'Omer

My'an ganim be'er mayim chayim....Thou art a fountain of gardens, a well of living waters....

You don't need baby powder to stay young — every Jew is God's baby....

A dour rabbi once visited the bais medrash of Rabbi Levi Yitzchak of Berditchev, and saw Jews scurrying about helter-skelter, mumbling their prayers like an express train.

The rabbi approached a group of Chassidim, and mumbled: "beh, beh, beh...meh, meh, meh...." The Chassidim looked at each other, wondering. "You think I'm crazy," he snorted, "but how do you think your davening sounds to God?"

Rabbi Levi Yitzchak overheard the conversation. "Listen...you're right that they mumble beh, meh....But when a little baby crise beh meh, his father and mother always know what he wants. We're God's children, and our beh-mehs are worth more than a fancy **drasha**...." (Fun Unzer Alter Oitzer)

Who can measure a Jew? Imagine...in the Song of Songs, the Jews cry to the Ribono shel Olam — **"shchorah ani v'naavah** — I am black but comely...like the tents of Kedar, like the curtains of Solomon....": It's weird — what are we, Abdul the tent maker? Are we in the drapery business? Why mix in tents and drapes?

But the Jews cry...on the outside, the tents of Kedar are sun-blackened and dusty, but inside they're beautifully decorated like a palace — like a Winebago with sheets — hung with beautiful ornaments....The same with us Jews...

...sometimes you meet a Jew who seems coarse, rude, stingy, jacking up rents unfairly. But deep down, hidden underneath the rough exterior, there is still a beautiful Yiddische neshama that waits to break out. Inside there's a spark....

Every Jew is a Hillel, Moses, Deborah. The greatest mitzvah is to bring the holiness of every Jew out of the closet, like drilling for oil through a mile of brackish salt-water. (Adapted from Medrash)

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You don't have to be a Blue Jays fan to be for the birds — every Jew is a high flyer....It's strange — the Almighty compared the Jews to doves. But between you and me, why couldn't we be an eagle or a falcon — why such a **nebich**, weak dove?

Ah, but it teaches...however far a dove flies, he always looks back from time to time to see where his nest is — it always remembers its source. The same with every Jew. Even if a Jew marries out of his faith, or becomes a Sheppard Avenue apostate or throws away his Yiddishkeit altogether, a little, delicate bit of him always looks back to his nest and wants to return, to come back.... (Rabbi Yisrael Salanter)

And there's always time for teshuva. Always time.

God never closes the doors, never, under any circumstances, to a Jew who wants to do teshuva....

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You have to have faith....One little youngster visited his grandfather for Yom Tov. The old man patted him on the head lovingly. "Tell me, do you always say prayers before meals?"

The proud little boy answered. "I don't have to — my mom's a good cook...."

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No one can ever destroy us. God promised: **"revavah k'tzemach hasadeh nisateech** — I made you to blossom like the grass of the fields...." The more you mow grass down, the quicker and stronger it grows right back up....The more Hitlers and Amins try to destroy us, the more fruitful and higher we will stand....

May this be a spring of peace. Shabbat Shalom and Chag Sameach.

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34th anniversary of ghetto uprising

Have we learned from past?

By JACOB EGIT

Forever an inspiration to Jews, heroism of Warsaw Ghetto uprising is depicted in this woodcut now on display in Yad Vashem Museum, Jerusalem.

Thirty-four years have passed since the outbreak of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising. For those who survived the Holocaust, it is not an echo from the remote past, nor merely another date on the calendar. For them it is a part of their lives, a part that will always be deeply imbedded in their hearts.

They were the witnesses of the extermination of Polish Jewry, which was the heart of the Jewish people, the fountainhead of its vitality.

Close to 17,000 Jewish communities in Poland were destroyed, among them 14,000 small Jewish townlets — the shtetl which Sholem Asch so beautifully portrayed. Mileposts of Jewish history were swept away. Not only were 4½ million men and women and 1½ million Jewish children annihilated by the Nazis, but entire genealogies were eradicated.

This tragedy did not happen overnight, nor did it occur in some dark remote corner of the world. This happened over a period of years in the centre of Europe. This was not a massacre that took place in the Middle Ages, but in the 20th century, in an age of the most advanced culture and civilization.

The total destruction of a people was perpetrated not by wild tribes from the time of the Crusades but was pre-planned with calculated deliberation and the latest scientific techniques by a nation that gave the world Goethe, Schiller and Mozart -- the German people.

At a time when all hope seemed lost, a handful of Jews in Poland took a stand against the might of the German army, which had already occupied 14 countries in Europe.

How was it possible that a handful of youths, some of them merely children, isolated from the world, weakened by a long period of starvation, without military training and armed only with primitive, home-made weapons made in the cellars and attics of the ghetto, could hold off a mighty force equipped with all the modern technological means of warfare?

The answer, as expressed in the works of Fishel Shneierson, is a psychological one. The strength of will, he said, the undaunted strength of spirit can overcome the physical weakening of the human body.

Today, 34 years after the Warsaw Ghetto uprising, we ask ourselves: has the world learned anything from this horrendous past? Again the Jews are faced with a new threat, again new dangers hover on the horizon. Anti-Semitism is rearing its ugly head in various parts of the world. Extreme Arab and Soviet propaganda is intent on erasing the memory of Auschwitz in order to renew the historical feelings of hostility towards the Jewish people.

New voices are being heard today in academic quarters which attempt to deny the Nazi atrocities and foment accusations that the Jews themselves are responsible for creating a "legend" of the Holocaust. While at the same time many proven mass murderers, known accomplices of Hitler's diabolical extermination plans continue to live in freedom in our very midst.

The unholy Arab alliance, aided by the terrorists led by Arafat, is plotting the destruction of the Jewish state — the state which made possible the beginning of a new life in their own country for survivors of the Hitler horrors.

Fortunately a different situation prevails today. The youth of Israel have reaped the legacy of the Warsaw Ghetto fighters. They are prepared to defend the ideals for which the Ghetto fighters gave their lives.

The Israeli soldier draws his inspiration from the brave defenders of the ghetto, for he, like them, is fighting the same battle — a fearless, undaunted resistance to the enemies of the Jewish state and the Jewish people.

We of this generation have a moral obligation to bring up our children and grandchildren to honor the memory of the victims and heroes of the ghetto. The young generation must know about the tragedies that befell their grandfathers. They must understand the meaning of the struggle waged by the fighters — the purpose of their sacrifices.

Memorial program

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — Because of student dissatisfaction with previous programs, Yom Hashoah will have a different format this year.

The program, which takes place on Thursday, April 14 at 7:30 at the Jewish Community Centre, will begin with the showing of a half-hour film prepared by Yad Vashem.

Mezzo-soprano Ruth Slater will sing a number of songs from the ghetto and then the audience will divide into three discussion groups. The groups will switch to give everyone a chance to discuss or listen to the different topics and students will be assigned to each group to ensure discipline and prevent haphazard wandering about.

Author and editor M.J. Nurenburger will address the full assembly as well as act as discussion group leader.

The Yad Vashem film deals with the history of the rise of Nazism. "We specifically did not want a film showing pictures of camps," said Rose Paikin, one of the organizers, "because so many of the older members have been through all this. What we wanted to show was how this sort of thing can come about."

Cantor David Bercovic of Beth Jacob synagogue will conduct the El Mole Rachamim and the Kaddish and children from the various religious schools will take part in the candle lighting ceremony. Gary Frydman is chairman of the Holocaust Memorial Committee.

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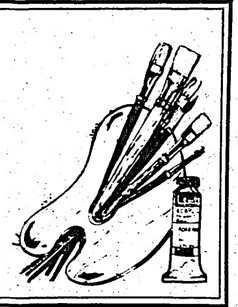

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For just as the killer was determined to erase Jewish memory, so were the dying heroes and fighting martyrs bent on maintaining it alive.

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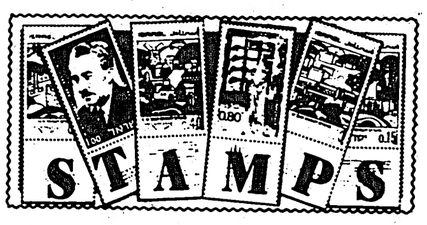

By CHAIM YEHUDA

"LET MY PEOPLE GO"

During this Passover season, we recall at our seders the Exodus of our forefathers, led by Moses out of Egypt to the land of Israel.

Today we hear about our brothers oppressed by totalitarian regimes in most Communist and Arab countries, and not permitted to leave for Israel or other free countries.

But the will of our people does not diminish — our appeal to the world rings louder — "Let my people go". This is the message on the famous Israeli stamp, issued in 1972, so appropriate for this time of the year.

This predominately green stamp should cost about 56 mint with tab and probably less than a dollar mint without tab.

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CHILDREN'S DRAWINGS ON PEACE

This past February, Israel issued a set of three stamps illustrating drawings by children about peace.

These multicolored stamps were printed by photolithography in sheets of 15 with five tabs, by E. Lewin-Epstein Ltd. They are comb-perforated 14 and coated with phosphor as are most Israeli stamps.

The denominations are IL. 0.50, 1.40, and 2.70 and the drawings were taken from **My Shalom — My Peace**, a book published by American Israel Publishing Co. and Sonol Israel Ltd.

When looking at these stamps, one will readily agree with the Philatelic Services, which says that these paintings "by children speak for themselves in their sincerity — naive and unsophisticated as they are."

These stamps should be available from any dealer who stocks new issues and cost well under $1 mint with tabs. As can be seen from some of the prices that have been quoted for Israeli stamps mint with tabs as compared to mint without tabs, one should always obtain all new issues mint with tabs.

NRP's Raphael loses his position

JERUSALEM — Yitzhak Raphael, the former minister of religious affairs, failed to win a place in the National Religious Party's election list in balloting by the NRP's 201-member General Council. He conceded that this might mean the end of his political career.

Yosef Burg, former minister of interior, heads the list, followed by former Welfare Minister Zevulum Hammer and MK Aaron Abu Hatzira.

Raphael's defeat was especially bitter for him because two of his former proteges made the list.

One of them, Pinhas Schoenmann, the only Knesset incumbent of the Raphael faction, placed 11th, which means he may not be re-elected unless the NRP does better in the May 17 elections than it did in the last Knesset elections.

The NRP has 10 seats in the present Knesset.

Meanwhile, representatives of the Oriental community and new development towns who had cast their lot with Prof. Yigael Yadin's Democratic Movement for Change (DESH) were bitterly disappointed with the results of the movement's balloting last week to select its Knesset list for the May 17 elections.

Some 24,700 DESH members participated in what was billed as the first primary in Israel's history — 77% of those eligible to vote.

But candidates of the disaffected so-called "second world" in Israeli society placed in the bottom half of the 30-member list and some, such as the Zionist Panthers, got no representation at all.

Predictably, the academicians, industrialists, and candidates with the most political experience headed the list.

Yadin won first place, followed by Amnon Rubinstein, leader of the Shinui (Change) movement, Meir Amit, former head of Histadrut's giant Koor Industries, who recently quit the Labor Party, and veteran politician Shmuel Tamir, former leader of the Free Centre Party.

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AROUND THE TOWN
By JANICE ARNOLD

Montreal Hadassah–WIZO recently launched its annual Youth Aliyah campaign with a rally featuring Gerda Weissman Klein of Buffalo (centre), author of "All But My Life" and "The Blue Rose". With her is Mrs. Benjamin Mendels (left), president, Montreal Hadassah–WIZO and Carol Sinclair, Youth Aliyah chairman.

YOUTH MISSION

Thirty-five young people between the ages of 18-25 are expected to leave on a two-week study mission to Israel May 9. It's open to those who worked in the young people's division of the Combined Jewish Appeal last year or those who make a commitment to work this year. Mission leaders are **Susan Flanders** and **Laurence Paperman.**

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MIZRACHI BAZAAR

Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi Women's Organization of Montreal will hold its giant annual bazaar in the exhibition hall of Place Bonaventure April 27 (1-10 p.m.) and April 28 (10 a.m.-10 p.m.). Proceeds will be used for special educational and welfare programs sponsored by Mizrachi, said Montreal council president, **Jean Quint.**

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1977 MARCH

Chairman **Joe Kramer** urges everyone interested in participating in this year's March to Jerusalem on May 1 to pick up their sponsoring forms now. In 1976, over 5,000 persons marched and an even greater turnout is expected this year.

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AJCS CONFERENCE

Delegates at a recent conference of AJCS presidents and executive directors, chaired by **Norman Cohen**, have decided that Jewish education, the poor and the aged should be considered budgeting priorities for 1977-78. The completion of the AJCS budget has been delayed to late April from April 10.

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BEN-GURION

The Canadian Associates of the Ben-Gurion University will honor **Maxwell Cummings** at its third annual dinner April 26 in Hotel Bonaventure. The Cummings Foundation recently donated $500,000 to the university's Desert Research Institute.

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HONOR LABOR LEADERS

Over 300 persons recently attended a mass memorial rally at the Jewish Public Library honoring **Henryk Erlich** and **Victor Alter**, the two Polish Jewish labor leaders murdered by Stalin 36 years ago. Former NDP leader **David Lewis**, who met Erlich at the 1939 international socialist convention in Paris when the former was a representative of the CCF, was guest speaker.

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ARCTIC QUICKIE

Montreal artist **Stanley Lewis** will lead an overnight trip to Frobisher Bay in the Canadian Arctic June 23. Organized by the Saidye Bronfman Centre, the itinerary includes a tour of the Inuit community and a chance to buy native arts and handicrafts. Flight leaves Montreal at 7 p.m. and will return at 7 a.m. the next morning. Although the entire trip takes place in the middle of the night, by June the Arctic day will be 24 hours long and the local people will be awake.

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YOM HA'ATZMAUT

Lt. General **Chaim Laskov**, retired chief of staff of the Israeli Defense Forces, will be guest speaker at an Israel Independence Day Festival in Congregation Chevra Kadish-B'nai Jacob April 21. Sponsored by the Canadian Zionist Federation, Eastern Region, the evening will include entertainment by singer **Jo Amar.**

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NEW BB PRESIDENT

Saul Kwiat will be installed as the new president of the Quebec Regional Council of B'nai B'rith April 24. Ceremony will take place in Congregation Beth-El, where Kwiat is vice president. He succeeds **Max Kugler.**

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ISRAEL AT 29

Canadian Jewish Congress executive director **Alan Rose** will help Congregation Chevra Kadisha-B'nai Jacob celebrate Yom Ha'atzmaut with a talk on "Israel at 29" on Sunday morning, April 24.

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SPRING MEET

The Eastern Canadian branch of the Women's League for Conservative Judaism will hold its annual spring conference in the Shaar Hashomayim synagogue April 26-27, president **Carol Sher** announced. Scheduled keynote speaker is Mrs. **Gerrard Berman**, national chairman of the cooperation and community service division of the Women's League for Conservative Judaism in the U.S.

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BONDS HONOREE

Archie Shaikovitz, a longtime leader in Jewish education, the Hebrew Free Loan Association, the Miriam Home, the Jewish National Fund, and Zionist groups, will be honored by the congregation of Shaare Zion at an Israel Bonds dinner April 28. Shaikovitz is vice-president of the men's club and a board member of Shaare Zion. **Irwin Cotler** will speak at the dinner.

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SEPHARDIM FOR BONDS

The Sephardic community held its fourth annual State of Israel Bonds drive at the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue with Bond purchases surpassing campaigns of the three previous years. A dinner was held last month to honor **Louis Shoore**, long-time trustee of the synagogue, who served as associate chairman of the Combined Jewish Appeal for 1975-76.

'Change our philosophy of resignation'

By WILLIAM F. SHAW

I read with concern Henry Srebrnik's article, "Second Class Status may be the Future for English Quebec". His attitude represented all too well the resignation of many non-French Quebeckers to the inevitability of a totalitarian French regime in Quebec. If we wish to reverse this trend we must change the philosophy of resignation to a philosophy of resolve.

The Jewish community, perhaps more than any other, has experienced the momentum of racist nationalism, not only in this century, but throughout history. Thus the Jewish community should be acutely aware of the signs of nascent racism.

It is not wise to presume that a collectivity bent on imposing its wishes on the minority will become more moderate by its success.

To the contrary, history, both modern and ancient, has vividly shown that success only develops the appetite for more incursion on rights; if unchecked, this incursion will become overt abuse.

Thus the Quebec phenomenon is not merely that of a culture which is seeking to establish its pre-eminence and identity. It is a collectivity, motivated by the highly questionable premise that its language and culture are threatened, which realizes the power of its political collectivity to control totally the geopolitic of Quebec.

'We have patronized, not confronted issue'

Armed with this power, it can move to systematically control all cultural and economic activity in Quebec, justifying every act — no matter how disdainful or unnecessary — in the name of the "Fait francais du Quebec".

It is the political, not the cultural character of this movement that is disgusting. It is bred of propaganda, of deliberate misrepresentation to young people of the realities of the pluralistic society of today.

As I said in my debate to the Throne Speech in the National Assembly when I referred to the position of the French communities at the time of the Canada Act of 1792: "If the Gendron Commission were to judge the future of the French language at that time, they would certainly have said that it couldn't survive 50 years. But the articles of the Quebec Act of 1774, enshrined by Lord Dorchester in the Canada Act of 1792 which gave Canada its first representative government, protected the language and culture of French Quebec to such an extent that the 20,000 francophones of 1792 are over 6,000,000 in 1975."

Just as the Jewish language and culture have survived these thousands of years through pride and love of their culture, the French Canadian culture will be vigorous and healthy a thousand years from now. On the other hand, if the attitude of the right of the collectivity having rights over those of the individual is allowed to continue, the threat to the character of Canada as a nation is immeasurable.

For this reason, every effort must be made to identify this political thrust and resist it. There are many ways in which this can be done. Firstly, it is necessary for our national government, the government of Ottawa, to describe clearly the rights of the individual, of the minorities (not only anglophone Quebeckers, but also francophone Canadians outside Quebec) as to language options.

This will have to be done in a constitutional document that will supersede provincial or municipal regulations. This can be done with or without the approval of the government of Quebec, as long as it is referred to the queen with the support of all the other provinces.

Secondly, the municipal level of government must undertake to assure a language policy in its activities, as many municipalities have already done. There are many collectivities in the Canadian political system and their power can be exploited to balance the power of the provincial level of government.

Thirdly, and most importantly, is the resolve of the individual Canadian not to accept prejudicial or discriminatory legislation and to discipline himself to resist any unjust laws either as an individual or as part of an organized group.

If properly mobilized, the force of a society's capacity to resist can have tremendous impact: in the interest of Canada, her values and her precious regard for freedom, we must be prepared to mobilize.

The Canadian crisis now facing us may well be called a challenge to all Canadians of goodwill. We have allowed this situation to become an acute one because we have patronized, rather than confronted it. There is a just one equitable solution, but it will only be found if we confront the problem squarely.

As Srebrnik said, the threat of separation is a red herring. French Canadians do not want to separate and, even if they did, the rest of Canada simply could not allow it.

The worst thing that could happen to the Parti Quebecois would be for them to win the referendum. They would then have to go to the rest of Canada to negotiate independence for Quebec. For the first time the Parti Quebecois would be working from a position of weakness, as the rest of Canada would be dictating their terms of separation.

In addition, the many Quebeckers who would wish to remain part of Canada would be negotiating from within. The scenario is ludicrous, and, believe it or not, the leaders of the Parti Quebecois know it.

What they want, and they have indirectly said as much, is to use the power of their collectivity to set the rules in Quebec. This is bad for Canada, but it is worse for the Quebecois, as it would ghettoize and isolate his community, giving only the elite the chance to work in the cultural interface. Worse still, this would help to establish a value system that would undermine the very fabric of a free democracy. When you take away rights from anyone, you concede your own by doing so.

William Shaw is MNA for Pointe Claire.

Religious revolution has altered Israel, says Rabbi Shoham

By MEL SOLMAN

MONTREAL — On the whole, Israel strikes most people as an irreligious society which pays little attention to Judaism in the formal sense.

According to Rabbi Sidney Shoham of Beth Zion Synagogue in Cote St. Luc, this once may have been the case, but it is no longer true today. Recently back from a trip to Israel, he notes that the country has been undergoing a dramatic change since the Yom Kippur War.

"The Diaspora still views Israel in terms of what it was 10 or 20 years ago. You have no idea how many yeshivot are being built. You have no idea of the great respect for the soldier with a kipah."

Jewish nationalism alone, he says, has been found to be inadequate. Formerly, Israelis thought that living in a Jewish country was sufficient in itself.

The pure nationalism of the early Zionists, he explains, was very important from the point of view of survival. "But it soon becomes obvious that survival is not the only thing that matters."

As for the yordim, he believes that many of them based all their 'Judaism' on Jewish nationalism. "Those who remain have the conviction that Israel means more than just a country, that Israel is really an ideal, a goal and an aspiration."

Rabbi Sidney Shoham

Because the early Zionists wanted Israel to be a country like any other country, says Rabbi Shoham, there is now widespread corruption in government.

"When you do not base your new land on the spirit, culture and tradition of its Jewish roots, you cannot expect the country to be different from any other," he adds.

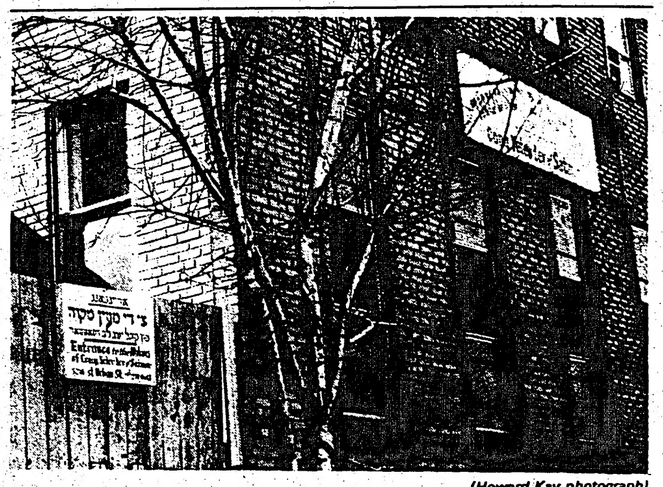
The revolution of Israeli life, he notes, is occurring in Jewish life in North America as well. He finds that he can now discuss with young couples the questions of kashruth, the Jewish home and the sanctity of the family. Ten years ago, he would have been ignored.

A major task for him is to show entire families, not just the youngest members, how much was lost with the immigration from Eastern Europe to North America. The real enemy of Judaism, he warns, is ignorance.

While some people put the blame on television, Rabbi Shoham believes that it is not so much that television is a powerful medium as that Jewish home life has weak foundations.

Often, it is the parent, not the child, who opts for "no foundations". Instead of sending their children to Jewish day schools, many Jewish parents in Montreal used their free choice in education to send their children to Protestant schools, he says.

Rabbi Shoham, therefore, considers an important part of his work to be the education of parents. Twice a week, he conducts classes in Chumash, Wednesday morning for mothers, and Saturday afternoon for fathers.



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Education Council drafts new constitution

MONTREAL [Staff] —

After two years in the experimental stage, the Jewish Education Council of Greater Montreal has now finalized its structure and drawn up a new constitution effective April 1.

The most important feature of the new restructured Council will be a functioning day school section to be composed of five nominees of the council and 24 lay representatives appointed by the day schools. From these 24 representatives, an eight-member budget/steering committee will be chosen.

On the council, which will expand from 15 to 22 voting members, seven representatives of the Association of Jewish Day Schools and one chairman will sit. At least three of these eight people must also sit on the executive committee, which will grow from five to eight members.

The bulk of council's activities will be carried out by four sections — the afternoon school, post-secondary education, the Education Resource Centre (ERC) and the new day school section. All members of the council must now serve in one of these sections. This was not necessary in the past.

The belated inclusion of a day school is seen as a move to free the Association of Jewish Day Schools to concentrate on negotiations for grants with the Quebec Ministry of Education. The first professional of the association, Shalom Delmar, began working out of the council office in Cummings House last fall.

The Association of Jewish Day Schools will remain an independent body, concerning itself not only with negotiations with the provincial government, but relations with teachers and co-ordination of French programs as it has in other years.

In the past, Allied Jewish Community Services gave a global grant to the Association, which it then distributed to the day schools. Under the new constitution, funds will go through the council for allocation.

Eighty-five percent of this year's grant will be used for scholarships or "innovative" programing in the day schools. The remaining 15 percent will be held in reserve for "unforeseen emergencies", community functions, or inter-school activities.

Schools will no longer have to seek emergency funds from other sources in the community. This reserve fund, however, will not be used for capital expenses. (Last year, AJCS made a $429,000 grant to the Association.)

The budget committee of the day school section will hear requests for grants and decide how the money will be allocated. "We can't realistically expect to meet all the requests," said the council's acting director, Rabbi Meyer Krentzman. "The day school section will have to establish firm funding policies based on priorities which it will determine."

If there are no "emergencies" during the year, the unspent portion of the 15% will go to all the schools in the form of direct grants.

The restructuring of the council will give it permanence now that its two-year mandate has expired. Although there was some skepticism at the time of its creation, the council has proven itself to be an effective central co-ordinating body of Jewish education.

The 24 lay representatives of the day schools will be appointed as follows: United Talmud Torahs, five representatives; Jewish People's & Peretz Schools, four; Ecole Maimonide, Hebrew Academy, the Rabbinical College and Beth Rivka, and Solomon Schechter Academy, two each; and Akiva, Beth Jacob, Ecole Sepharade, First Mesifta, Hebrew Foundation School, United Orthodox Schools, and Yeshiva Gedola, one each.

Another innovation is the inclusion of a representative of the Synagogue Council for the first time. With the recent merger of the educational services of the Canadian Zionist Federation and the Education Resource Centre, a representative of the CZF will sit on the management committee of the ERC section.

The final goal of the amalgamation is to centralize educational services to local schools by housing resources in one location under a central management. The temporary quarters of the ERC, now 1½ years old, has been the Chevra Kadisha-B'nai Jacob synagogue.

The ERC, which is expected to grow considerably with the merger, will officially be a service of both the Council and the National Pedagogic Council of CZF. Administration will continue under the previous ERC staff with emissaries of the World Zionist Organization acting as consultants.

As CZF is a national organization and the council is only concerned with Montreal schools, each will continue to fulfil their separate mandates.

The restructured council as of April 1, will be composed of: one chairman each from the afternoon school, day school, post-secondary and ERC sections; seven representatives of the Association of Jewish Day Schools; two representatives each of AJCS, Canadian Jewish Congress, and CZF; one representative each from the congregational rabbinate and Synagogue Council; one representative at large; one officer of the Association for the Advancement of Jewish Education; and one member of the steering committee of the afternoon school section.

A representative of the Association of Principals of Jewish Schools will have a non-voting, observer status on the Council.

Non Jews

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Although Crowe, dean of Atkinson College from 1969 to 1974, was on sabbatical that year, he did hear of the organization through Prof. Maureen Molot of the department of political science at Carleton University. Encouraged by Irving Abella, a professor of history at Glendon College, he became the York chairman of the CPPME beginning in the 1975-76 academic year. At that time, there were five members at York.

Following a plan of regular discussion meetings every few weeks plus distribution of high calibre scholastic articles on all aspects of the Middle East, Crowe managed to increase the York membership to 100 faculty.

Now he feels there will be no difficulty in reaching a national membership of 700 by this September, with regular functioning groups in the majority of Canada's larger universities.

Although he pointed out that there is no fundamental difference in approach between Jewish and non-Jewish members, he has discerned an added dimension on the part of the Jewish members during discussions. This, he explained, revolves around Israel-Diaspora relations such as the issue of aliyah for Jews.

Prior to his present academic involvement and Middle East concerns, Crowe, who was born on a farm in Rossburn, Manitoba (population 400), served as a captain in the infantry during World War II and graduated from the University of Manitoba.

From 1959 to 1966 he was the director of research of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway, Transport and General Workers.

In the early '60s, he was one of the group of six Jews and non-Jews who went to the Soviet embassy in Ottawa to support the cause of Jewish emigration from Russia.

Mordecai Richler's art of bludgeon-and-bleed

IN MY VIEW

By CHARLES LAZARUS

(Howard Kay photograph)

This is Baron Byng High School in Montreal — a focal point in the literature of writer Mordecai Richler.

MONTREAL —

Some members of the local Jewish community have finally begun to fight back against Mordecai Richler's calumnies.

What triggered the explosion was a dynamite piece published last weekend in the literary section of The Montreal Star, under the heading of "Richler and Montreal Jewry" and under the byline of Edgar H. Cohen.

Cohen is described as "a Montreal author, member of the executive of the Montreal branch of PEN International, and a businessman."

His article, which is boldly identified by the editorial sub-head as a "point of view", was in response to Richler's latest book, **Gursky Was Here**, an excerpt of which was published recently in Saturday Night.

I tried reading the Saturday Night excerpt a few weeks ago, but gave up after a few minutes of anger and boredom. I'd seen and heard it all before, not only from Richler but from others who practise the science of bludgeon-and-bleed, all in the name of literary or artistic integrity.

But Edgar Cohen, as he explained his piece to me the other day, decided he'd had just about enough of Richler and his "Jewish self-hate", and proceeded to write a piece for the Star, submitted it, and it was published.

In part it said:

"Mordecai Richler is on to a good thing — his own peculiar brand of Jew-baiting. It obviously goes over — witness the recent cover of Saturday Night. (Gursky is a thinly-veiled Sam Bronfman.)

"In the excerpt printed by Saturday Night called 'Manny Moves to Westmount', Mr. Richler gleefully calumniates (sic) Westmount Jewry, showing them as vulgar, money-grubbing, loud, nouveau-riche predators without a single redeeming feature.

"Mr. Richler's self-hate and hate of his people is nothing particularly new. **St. Urbain's Horseman** generally depicts Jews in a generally disgusting light — uncouth, brash, 'nose-picking'. Duddy Kravitz was a cheque-forging bastard on the make.

"Showing the Jew to be revolting is grist to the mill of many a borderline and overt anti-Semite, or to that neutral element of the population who gets a kick of seeing someone else pilloried. It obviously sells, but now that Mr. Richler is wealthy, must he continue?"

Yes, I'm afraid he must, unless he is prepared to broaden his scope of Jewish experience by walking into a Lubavitcher Yeshiva, a Jewish People's Schools and Peretz Schools, a Canadian Jewish Congress "happening" in Sherbrooke or Quebec City — or even a board meeting of the Hebrew Free Loan Society, where Richler's favorite "targets" approve hundreds of thousands of dollars in loans who haven't the access to banks, without a cent of interest charged.

One last point:

Edgar Cohen has told me that since his article appeared, he's been flooded by letters and calls, replaying the theme that the time has come to call Richler's literary and intellectual pogroms for what they are — "without for a second trying in anyway to censor or curb his literary freedom, I'd just like him to expand his Jewish experience and start writing about that."

Fair enough, I say. Hopefully all those Jewish intelligentsia — whose pre-occupation with liberalism makes artists immune from criticism on humanitarian grounds — will also broaden their Jewish experience along with Mordecai, no matter how painful or damaging their work.

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Arts

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Co-chairmen of the Aviva Art Show (from left), Shirley Kline, Cele Bluestein, and Molly Brown, look over untitled sculpture by Gerald Gladstone. In background is "Seance" by David Partridge. Display of art is at Simpson's Downtown (sixth floor, Bay Street end). Auction will be held on Wednesday, April 13.

Promotes Canadian art

TORONTO —

Twenty-five years ago, Aviva's first Canadian art exhibition and auction took place — a double-purpose event to help promote Canadian art and support Youth Aliyah and Hadassah-WIZO services for humanitarian work with children in Israel.

The first show was held in 1952 in the Old Community House, 44 St. George St., with 32 works put up for sale, all outright donations — approximately 250 people attended. Since then, over 2,000 works have been sold and over the years the Aviva show (not alone in the field now) has been acclaimed by art critics as having maintained the most regulated level of quality. It has allowed new artists to find a platform alongside those of established reputation.

For example, the Aviva art show played a major role in the careers of artists such as Paul Fournier who, as an unknown, won first prize in an early show, as well as the late Jack Reppen. Not many years ago, works by Les Levine, Gerald Gladstone and other artists now internationally prominent were sold at the Aviva Auction for as little as $65. At the first show, in 1952, an A.Y. Jackson oil sketch went for $32. In 1955, a Varley drawing brought $160. Indeed, many art collections began with a timid bid at the Aviva auction.

As the show grew in stature, so did the commission to the artist (now 50%) and the artists' awards (now $2,500).

This year's show includes the work of 127 Canadian painters and sculptors, amongst them such prominent artists as Ted Bieler, Ghitta Caiserman-Roth, Graham Coughtry, Ray Cattell, Andy Donato, Sorel Etrog, Gerald Gladstone, Gershon Iskovitz, Marjorie Pigott, William Winter, to name but a few.

Each year a distinguished panel of judges makes the choice of the prize-winning paintings, sculpture and graphics. This year a selection of jewelry, miniature-sculpture-to-wear has been added. The judges for the 1977 show are: Dr. Theodore Heinrich, professor of fine arts, York University; Dr. Roald Nasgaard, curator of Contemporary Art, Art Gallery of Ontario, and for the jewelry, C.V. Secrett of Secrett's Jewel Salon.

This year's award winners are:

— Painting: First prize ($700) Harold Klunder; Second prize ($350) Joseph Drapell, and Third prize ($200) Gerald Zeldin.

— Sculpture: Kosso Eloul ($700) and Joseph Calleja ($350).

— Graphics: Don Phillips ($100), and

— Jewelry: Ellen Stock ($100).

The show has been on exhibition at Simpson's sixth floor (Bay Street end) from March 30, and will continue to be shown until April 12 during store hours. Reserve bids will also be received here.

For the past 18 years, Simpson's has shown the Aviva exhibition. This year the auction also will be held at Simpson's on Wednesday, April 13 at 8 p.m. in the Arcadian Court. (Simpson's parking lot will be open.)

From 6 until auction time, ticket holders may enjoy a sherry party and view the collection before it goes on sale.

The auctioneer for the evening is Robert Deveau of Robert Deveau Galleries. The tickets ($3.50, including refreshments) may be purchased ahead (783-0172) or at the door.

Kabbalah expert conducts workshop

By RICK KARDONNE

Samuel Avital, a leading interpreter of the Kaballah, was in Toronto for a brief time this year to conduct a workshop of his uniquely innovative style of mime.

Born in Morocco, then living for 10 years in Israel before studying classical mime in Paris with Etienne Decroux, Avital has devised a boldly original creative Jewish art form, best described as being body expression according to Kaballistic precepts.

According to the Kaballah, the human body is the tree of life, and the tubes of communication of this tree must be completely opened up in order to permit maximum human expression. The result is a silent mime choreography.

In a sample work, which Avital created, entitled **Jacob and the Angel**, the biblical struggle of Jacob with the angel of light (which the term "Israel" connotes) is choreographed according to Orthodox Kaballistic interpretation.

In sharp contrast to the "withdrawal from reality" ideal of most Gentile mysticisms, the Kaballah, of course, aims towards total involvement in today's world through body mime as a vehicle.

Now centred in Boulder, Colorado, where he maintains his Centre of Silence, Avital runs workshops in Kaballistic mime, as well as giving frequent lectures and constantly staging performances.

Many of his students are Jewish youth who come to him for an unconscious reason — to discover their Jewish roots. Very often, Jewish mysticism has proven an ideal way to recover lost youth where all other channels have failed.

There is, of course, a historical analogy to this: Chassidism in Eastern Europe started out in exactly the same way as a mysticist revolt against despair, assimilationism and the strict rationalism of the Vilna Gaon.

Clearly, then, when Avital returns to Toronto, as he plans to do sometime in the spring, he deserves prime attention by the Jewish community here.

He represents the natural contemporary incarnation of one of the most fundamental (yet, within many circles, least known) tenets of Jewishness: the Kaballah as manifested through the Zohar and other writings.

By re-introducing the physical mime into the Kaballah, Avital is most truly abiding by the total involvement axiom which is the foundation of our Jewish way of life.

Avital's **Centre of Silence** has already received cover-story coverage in the American B'nai B'rith magazine **The National Jewish Monthly**, and is represented here in Toronto by Mark Cohen, who has conducted Kaballistic workshops in his house on Algonquin Island.

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Craig Russell is at **The-Theatre-In-The-Dell** this week. There've been rave reviews in New York, Las Vegas and everywhere this brilliant, Toronto-born impressionist has rendered his "zany and often biting carbons of stars," as the Hollywood Reporter puts it. April 12, **Dinah Christie & Tom Kneebone** bring back their delightful, long-run revue. At 9 p.m. Mon. – Thurs. ($5), 8 & 10:30 on Fri. & Sat. ($6). **The-Theatre-In-The-Dell, 300 Simcoe Street, 598-4802.**

Do you know who recommends **PIAF**, the revue that is drawing record-breaking audiences to **Schubert's Cabaret? Tom Kneebone**, among others "I've been 5 times and I'm going again" he told Sun columnist Sylvia Train. Dorothy Poste is great as the famed French chanteuse. See it 8:30 Tues.-Sat., or with the theatre-folk, Sat. midnight. Dining & dancing, too at **Schubert's Cabaret, 138 Pears Avenue, 961-2460.**

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Wild Animals in Art, at the **Hollander York Gallery** is indeed a major exhibition. Featured are **Terence Shortt's** detailed, brilliantly hued bird studies, **Christopher Cape's** sculpture and arctic wildlife studies by **Peter Buerschaper,** recently returned from an arctic commission. There's a lot to see, so do leave time. On view 11 – 6, Tues. – Sat., Sun. 1 – 4 p.m. **Hollander York Gallery, 120 Scollard Street.**

Paintings by Iain Turner are on exhibition at the **Gallery Scollard.** For some, such as **Galileo's Stars** he has incorporated sculptured detail for 3-dimensional effect. On view 10 – 6, Tues. to Sat. till April 14. This non-profit gallery is dedicated to showcasing promising young artists and definitely merits your support. Enquire re membership of **Gallery Scollard, 96 Scollard Street, 967-7480.**

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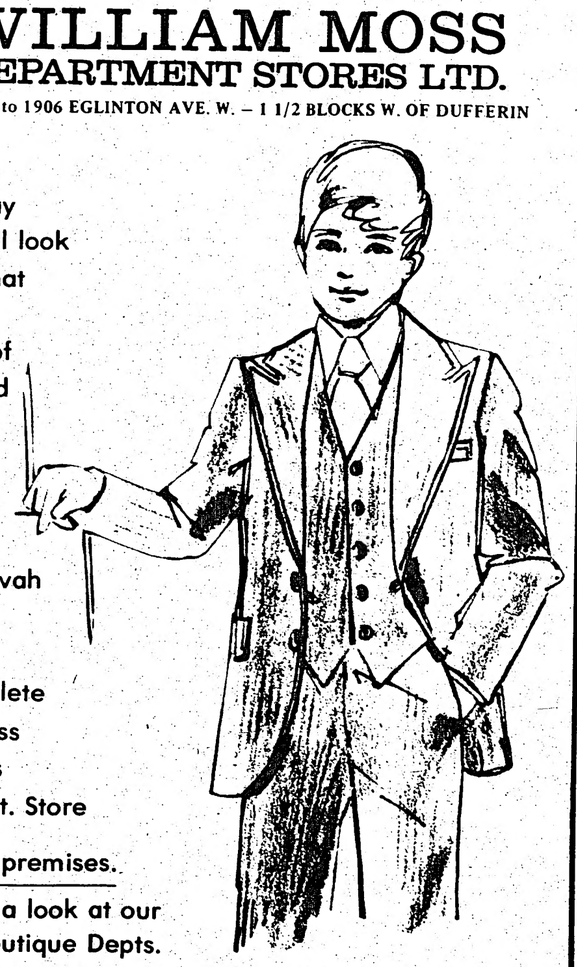

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Wide variety of entertainment offered to Sunshine State visitors

By WILL ADLER

TALLAHASSEE —
The Sunshine State offers visitors a wide variety of entertainment in subtropical surroundings this month.

On the Gulf Coast, the Bicentennial Youth Fair in St. Petersburg, April 22-25, highlights youthful creativity with live performances and exhibits.

Across the state in Miami, the Minstrel Show, April 30-May 1, features musical performances and sketches that reflect the bygone minstrel era.

Florida State University in Tallahassee presents its Flying High Circus, a show complete with trapeze acts and clowning around. The student circus home shows will be presented April 30-May 1 and May 7-8.

Other arts and crafts shows are scheduled in Hollywood on April 11; Tallahassee, April 8-10; Bradenton, north of Sarasota, April 8-11; Niceville in northwestern Florida, April 9-10; St. Augustine, April 9-11; the south central town of Lake Wales, April 10; the Greek sponge fishing village of Tarpon Springs, north of Clearwater, April 10-11; and Boca Raton, April 23-24.

Still other communities hosting arts and crafts events are Indialantic, south of the Kennedy Space Center, April 23-25; the upper Gulf Coast island of Cedar Key, April 24-25; North Palm Beach, April 25-27, and North Miami Beach, April 29-May 1.

Dazzling metropolis

Tel Aviv isn't just another city

By CHARLES LAZARUS

From the earliest days of my childhood, long before Israel became a state but long after Theodor Herzl declared "if you will it...it is not a dream," I remember hearing and singing a little ditty: "Yesh lahnu eir yafah" (We have a pretty city), "Ou shmoh Tel Aviv" (and its name is Tel Aviv).

Much of Tel Aviv, of course, isn't that pretty any more, but most of it is still Israel's most dazzling and sophisticated metropolis, playing a key role in helping the first-time tourists gain a quick insight in planning their stay.

The repeat tourist, that is one who's been to Israel before, finds Tel Aviv an excellent operating base for organizing his activities, both pleasure and business, since he isn't preoccupied with the kind of sight-seeing that grabbed him the first time.

Tel Aviv accommodates the needs of Israel's visitors, both neophyte and veteran, for a number of practical reasons.

First is its location, less than 30 minutes from Ben-Gurion Airport, in mid-country, serving as gateway to the south —Beersheba, the Negev, Eilat, and coastal cities such as Ashdod and Ashkelon.

Second is that Tel Aviv is the centre of Israel's tourist infrastructure, with the widest variety of hotels from memorable to modest, bus sight-seeing services, and an elaborate choice of shopping facilities.

Third is Tel Aviv's position as a centre of Israel's communications media, newspaper and culture industries. This, of course, automatically makes it a magnet for the elitists who give the city a quite unexpected dimension of chic.

Unavoidably, as your flight swings in from the Mediterranean, Tel Aviv lies before you, close to 500,000 souls, as described in the very popular Bazak Guide Book, which is issued and updated annually:

"This is the octopus of Israel, the sprawling megalopolis that seems in a hurry to catch up with Tokyo. It is a swaggering Big Daddy, disconcertingly pieced together as if many artists had worked on the same mosaic."

More important, despite Bazak's reference to Tel Aviv as a junior Tokyo and megalopolis, it is a city full of bustling Jewishness in tone, flavor and dynamism, and it is worth nothing some of the pieces that make up this colorful mosaic.

Tel Aviv, of course, is no longer just Tel Aviv, since its municipal terms of reference now include the biblical and historical city of Jaffa, and today the metropolis' official name is Tel Aviv-Yaffo.

Another key component of the Tel Aviv mosaic is the lobby of the Hilton, which, like the other five-star hotels such as the Dan and Plaza, faces the Mediterranean. It is a place where natives and visitors, artists, writers, political figures meet, greet and, of course, eat — a famous Jewish preoccupation.

At the shoreline between Tel Aviv proper and the Yaffo section, there is the Charles Clore Park, a lovely relaxing oasis at any time in the bustling metropolis. But get there in the late afternoon, particularly if you are easily romantically teased, and watch the literal parade of wedding parties taking their pictures with the Israeli sky and sea as background.

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The Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue tour, under the leadership of Rabbi Joseph Kelman, is traveling to Israel on April 25.

It will be the second time that a Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda tour will be accompanied by a Sefer Torah. There are a number of new synagogues being established in Israel, and many kibbutzim which previously did not feel the need to have synagogue services or a Torah are now reconsidering.

In response to the plea for a Torah for one of the new congregations, the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue has donated one, which will be presented formally during this trip.

"Taking a handwritten Torah which was written in Eastern Europe brought to Canada and now, by jet airplane, to be used in a synagogue in Israel, underscores the eternity of the Jewish people," said Rabbi Kelman. "The presentation certainly will add another feature to the trip."

The group will spend a day in the Golan Heights, at Moshav Yonatan, a new settlement. Here, close to 50 young people, many of whom left comfortable urban settings in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem, have become chalutzim once more.

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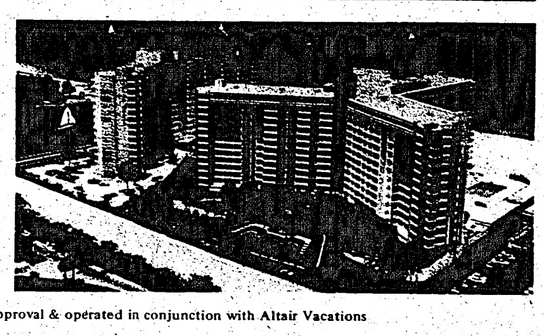

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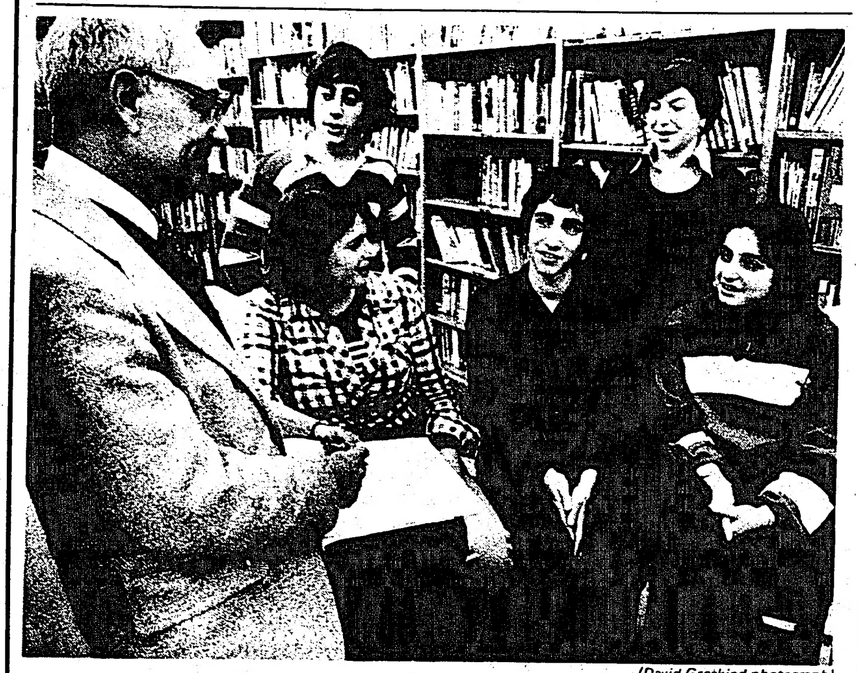
"We are One," Israel Bonds and UJA in Hamilton agree as they get together to discuss a year-round program to strengthen Israel. Shaking hands are Samuel Taylor (left), president of the Hamilton Jewish Federation and Bonds co-chairman Hershey Goldhar. Others from left are Rabbi Bernard Baskin, Samuel Soifer, Monty Mazin, Valda Levin, L. Paikin, Dr. M. Molot, H. Hanover and M. Goldhar.



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Pinchas Rimon, director of the America–Israel Secondary School program in Kfar Blum, talks to Toronto Bialik students about 10th grade academic year program offered to students in North America. Others from left are Joanna Samuels, Glen Starkman, Richard Finkelstein, Michelle Gutman and Ruth Goldstein. Kfar Blum programs include tour of Israel and work on the kibbutz.

Traditional stereotypes under fire in quarterly

By TOBA KORENBLUM

Lilith is the legendary name of the "demonic spirit", the first Eve who, according to Midrash, was unwilling to forego her equality with Adam and disputed her second-class status.

It is also the namesake of a quarterly published in New York which takes a daring stab at our traditional stereotypes about Jewish women as over-indulged princesses, domineering mothers with martyr complexes, and volunteer fund-raisers smothered in bourgeois respectability.

The winter issue of the publication, its second to date, dips into a selection of topics with different treatments: autobiographical, political, cultural, psychological, biblical and literary — a credit to broad-sighted editorial direction.

"The Locked Cabinet", an article on UJA Young Leadership in the U.S., exposes the biases of communal organizations which shut out women from seats of power.

Women, says senior editor Amy Stone, are rarely selected to move into top-ranking posts nationally in the UJA, and many of the younger professional generation are discontented with a segregated division, whose outmoded programs are often scheduled during working hours.

A wide-ranging interview with author-psychologist Phyllis Chesler shows that leading feminists need not be entirely estranged from Judaism, nor Zionism.

Ms Chesler is gutsy, outspoken and articulate. Author of **Women and Madness**, she offers some fresh, though uncomfortable, assessments of Jewish family life, and the status of Jewish women in Middle America.

"Increasingly, Jewish-American women are suffering from depression, anxiety, apathy, guilt, or a sense of purposelessness," she says. "Many 'privileged' women are isolated, divorced and abandoned in the suburbs without alimony, child-support, friends or meaningful work."

And, in a sharp rebuke against the woman's role in communal activities, she adds: "Many wives of Establishment Jews are organizing into relatively powerless, but status-granting organizations."

In other Lilith selections, 10 women give personal accounts of their attempts to integrate feminism and their commitment to Jewish survival. Though the writing is spotty and the layout unimaginative, this segment offers an interesting cross-section of women with varying politics, sexual preferences, living arrangements and occupations — some startlingly frank.

The magazine features poetry, a "non-sexist" Jewish children's story, and an article on the ceremonial welcoming for a newborn girl — a symbolic equivalent to the bris.

The very fact of Lilith's apparent viability, along with other publications and a proliferation of books exploring similar themes, is an indication of the feminist movement's inroads on a breed of independent, committed young Jewish women.

This issue of the quarterly thankfully avoids the strident, egocentric and histrionic tirades which plagued the feminists of the early and middle '60s. Its subject matter will not alienate the bulk of traditionalists among Jewish women (who must learn to accept the contribution of their "liberated" sisters) and will stimulate the converted.

Divided opinion

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themselves to this detente. The wounds may take a long time to heal."

Satok, in an opinion advanced by a number of Jewish leaders, says that co-operation might be facilitated if the ethnic communities — particularly the Ukrainians — disowned the anti-Semitism of some of their late national leaders.

J.B. Salsberg, former chairman of the Soviet Jewry Committee, Central Region, asserts that an improvement in relations is warranted. "However, Jewish leadership can't overlook the fact that Jewish objectives — especially in the Soviet Union — are not necessarily paralleled by the Ukrainian or Polish communities.

"Those groups have a profound interest in the national independence of their nations within the USSR, while we restrict ourselves to the humanitarian and national rights issue as a minority within the USSR. We seek the right for Jews to leave or to live there with all their rights."

Says Phyllis Sugar, president of Women for Soviet Jewry: "If we get into a political hassle with the Soviet Union, things could get worse." And she notes, "the Ukrainians... are inherently anti-Semitic to an extent."

Rabbi Jordan Pearlson, chairman of the Joint Community Relations Committee, Central Region, expresses an ambivalent view.

"I understand fully the agonies of the people who suffered at the hands of the Ukrainians. But they must recognize that the grandchildren of the Ukrainians don't have the cultural setting of their European elders. Among them are new faces. Slowly, cautiously, we are building lines of communication with them."

Yet, for "very strong reasons", the Jewish community must opt for limited co-operation with the ethnics, Rabbi Pearlson says. "We don't facilitate the welfare of Jews in the Soviet Union by being blatantly and politically anti-Soviet. We're pressing for human rights, not lobbying against the Soviet system."

This view is firmly held by Alan Rose, national executive director of the Canadian Jewish Congress. "They have their problems and we have ours."

J.C. Horowitz, national chairman of the Joint Community Relations Committee, has no qualms about co-operating with the other communities. "If we're going to overcome the antipathy of the past, we must work with our fellow Canadians. If they show good will, why should the sins of the fathers be visited upon their children? The hatchets have to be buried in the old country."

Horwitz's assessment of the situation is not shared by some of the survivors.

David Goldsilver, who lost his entire family in Poland, asserts: "No, we want nothing to do with them! They were the biggest murders during the war."

President of the Bergen Belsen Association, he adds: "We don't trust them. My generation won't co-operate with them. We went through a lot with these people."

Jacob Egit, a member of the Canadian Jewish Congress executive and executive director of the United Organization for Histadrut, states: "I'm against co-operation, especially with the Ukrainian community. They have a very dark history, starting with Bogdan Chmielnicki in the 17th century and progressing to Simon Petlyura during World War 1 and Stephan Bandera during World War II."

Reuven Madesker, secretary of the Farband of Lithuanian Jews of Toronto, cried on the telephone when he spoke of the subject. "Now is not the right time for co-operation," he said, his voice trembling. But Harry Wolle, chairman of the Holocaust Remembrance Committee, Central Region, takes a different stand. The 36-year-old, who was born in Russia, says co-operation should be the goal, provided "you know who you're working with and you're sure they're not using you for their own selfish purposes."

Jack Israeli, a former Israel Bonds campaign chairman — as well as a survivor — says: "We should be very much in favor of co-operation. But the ethnic communities should apologize to the Jewish community for the atrocities that were committed in the name of their people."

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Prime Bathurst-Glencairn area. Shopping, schools and synagogues. 6 room furnished bungalow, large treed lot, $650 plus utilities. Negotiable. Option to buy. Mornings, 782-9038. 15

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Owner Must Sell
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Private executive 2-storey, 4 bedroom, 3 baths, central air, family room, walkout, fireplace. Will include broadloom, appliances, gas barbeque, many extras. Fenced corner lot. Well located to TTC, schools, plazas. Asking $116,000. 491-2433. 8

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Private
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Leslie-Cummer. El Greco, semi, 4 bedrooms, fireplace, $83,900. 494-0579. 8

Private Sale
163 Charlton Blvd.
Bathurst-Finch
Dr's Residence
Luxury executive 5 bedroom backsplit. Natural stone front, rosewood-marble vestibule, teak den, recessed walnut panelled family room with built-in bookcases, modern walnut kitchen, finished teak rec rm. with fireplace, built-in wet bar, additional kitchen, open oak staircase, central electric heating, water-cooled carrier central air-conditioner, electro-static air cleaner, cedar closet, double garage. Close to synagogues and associated Hebrew schools. 223-4551. 29

York Mills-Leslie
5 Bdrms. — $225,000
Custom-built, 2-storey. Grand open reception hall, marble floor, circular staircase. Ultra kitchen, large breakfast room. Family room and library on main floor, bath with exquisite built-ins; charming powder room. Two 5-piece washrooms (one ensuite). Double garage, air conditioning. Many expensive extras. Owner has bought. 449-0681. 8

Bathurst-Wilson. Private. 3 bedrooms & den, brick, broadloom, garage, landscaped, synagogues. $69,900. 636-8447. 29

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4 bedroom, 3 bathroom, large newly decorated Executive backsplit. Central air, Hollywood kitchen, finished basement, large family room, walkouts to 2 patios. Large treed lot, quiet Crescent. 2 car garage. $124,500. 226-3033. 8

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Private
Don Mills-Steeles. Wycliffe area, lovely 4 bedroom home with everything. $121,500. 881-2383. 15

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Prestige Area
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Lower Village — Ravine
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$136,500. This home is picture perfect. Main floor panelled den, powder room, ultra kitchen done in oak. Lovely 4 bedrooms, spacious hall. Finished basement, central air, double garage. Renee Bald, 789-4325.
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Soviet policy simply

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The program comprises three separate mailings: a post card to Communist Party Secretary Leonid Brezhnev challenging him to free Jews who wish to emigrate, a letter to Soviet Ambassador to Canada A.N. Yakovlev enclosing a piece of matzah, and a profile of Prisoner of Conscience Anatoly Sharansky to be sent to local members of Parliament.

The correspondence to Yakovlev, bearing the Toronto Group of 35 letterhead, advises that the enclosed piece of matzah "represents our concern over the lack of freedom being experienced by Soviet Jews" and urges, in large block letters, "Let our people go!", "Let our people go to their homeland!"

The postcard to Brezhnev reads, "Not since the terror-filled days of Stalin's obsessive attacks on the Jews of Russia, have we witnessed anti-Semitism officially at work in the Soviet Union as we see it today."

It concludes, "Free those of your people who wish to emigrate. Empty the labor camps of the Jewish Prisoners of Conscience. Let those of your Jewish citizens who wish to remain, do so as dignified human beings. You have nothing to lose. You will gain the everlasting gratitude of a proud and ancient people."

Joining the guest speakers on the dais were Sam Filer, chairman of the regional committee for Soviet Jewry; David Satok, national chairman of the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry; Rev. Dr. Donald Anderson, Canadian Council of Churches; Rev. Clement Francis, The Church of St. Michaels and All Angels; Earl Kulbeck, national director of Public Relations, Pentacostal Assemblies; and Dr. Angus J. MacQueen, St. George's United Church.

(The Canadian government may be precluded from intervening in the matzah ban because of international postal regulations. In a letter to Toronto Board of Jewish Education Executive Director Irwin Witty, the office of the postmaster general says little action can be taken because of the Acts of the Universal Postal Union, of which Canada is a member.

("This administration," read the letter, "as well as all other postal administrations, have no choice but to take the necessary steps to put the prohibition into effect.")

Rallies in support of Soviet Jewry were also held throughout Israel last week, with two major ones at the Western Wall and in Tel Aviv's Hamedina Square.

Observers believed the timing was intended to coincide with U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance's visit to Moscow.

At the Western Wall, Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren observed that one quarter of the Jewish nation could not yet say on seder night "this year we are b'nei horin — free men."

Foreign Minister Yigal Allon said 60 years of Bolshevik oppression had not stilled the Jewish spirit. The Jews of the Soviet Union were still throbbing with Jewish life and faith, he said.

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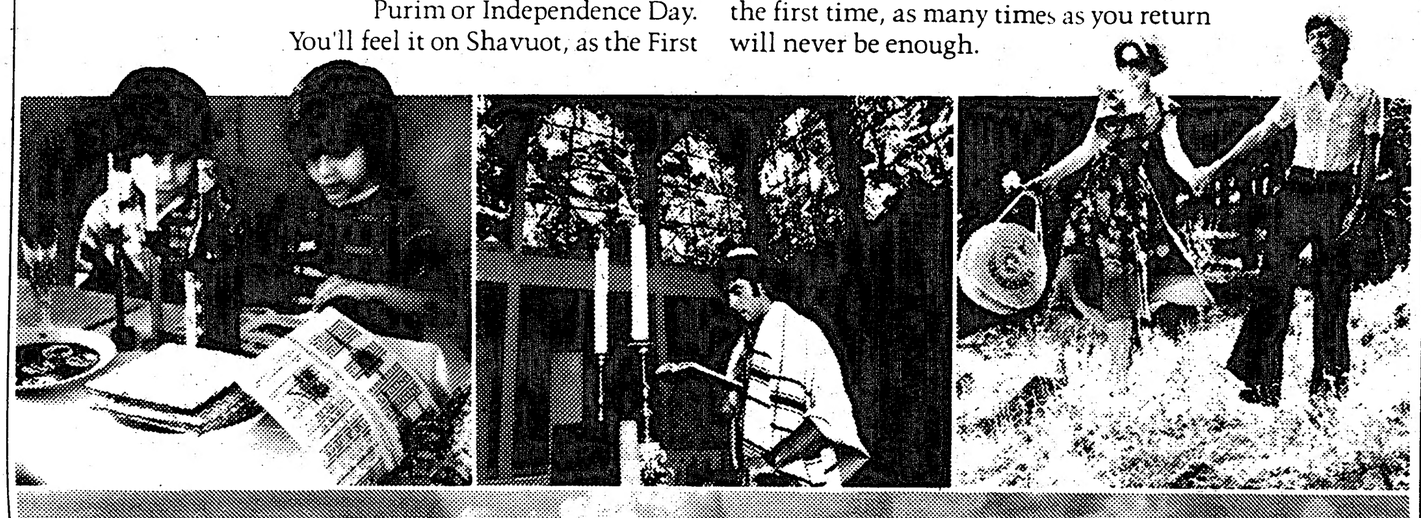

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